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Gold Spectacles and Eye Glasses, Chain or Fancy Bracelets, Watches, Gold, Silver or Filled; Brooches, Gold, Silver or Plated; Rings, all Styles and Prices; Charms, Scarf Pins, Chains, Purses, Cards, Cigar or Cigarette Cases; Brushes, Combs, Button Hooks, Shoe Horns, Manicure Sets, Etc.

Carvers, Dessert Sets, Fish Sets, Silver Spoons, Forks, Etc. Hundreds of other suitable articles. Our stock is large; our PRICES ARE LOW.

CHALLONER & MITCHELL, Jewelers, 47 Cov't St.

After Christmas What?

A DULL SEASON?
NOT A BIT OF IT!

Of course there isn't so much loose money floating around after Christmas as there was before, but people want necessary Goods just as usual; especially such things as WATERPROOFS, UMBRELLAS, Etc. Now we are righ in it with

....Umbrellas....

Having bought when in London part of a manufacturer's Stock, which was being closed out by the assignee at SIXTY CEN TS ON THE DOLLAR. We offer:

3 doz. Men's Strong Gingham at	$ .40	Each
2 " Dagmar, national bends, at	.90	"
1 " Levantine, Reliable,	11.5	"
1 " Regina, natural knobs,	1.75	"
1 " Satin de Chenes, choice,	2 25	"
1 " Spitalfields Twill, Paragon,	2 75	"
1 " Perfectum, pure dye,	3.25	"

And a splendid line of Sterling Silver Mounted, Ivory and Buckhorn Handled Twill Silk Umbrellas; some self-opening, and most desirable for New Year's Gifts.

Ladies' Umbrellas

12¾ dozen at from ..... 90c. to $15 Each

In these are included—Dagmarette Gloria, Regina, Satin de Chene, Silk Cote, Etc. Handles include—Oak and Vulcanite Loops, Agate Tops, Silver and Gold Mounts, Etc., Etc. and every one of the above will be sold as they were bought—FORTY PER CENT UNDER REGULAR PRICE, and if possible, we want them cleared off before NEW YEAR.

THE WESTSIDE, J. Hutcheson & Co.

Cheapside

THIS YEAR WILL BE AS ATTRACTIVE AS EVER.

SPECIAL LINE:
Tools for Boys.
Dolls for Girls.
Fancy China Cups and Saucers and Mugs.
Glass Water Sets in Great Variety.
Hanging and Hall Lamps—Cheap.
Carving Sets, etc., etc.
Prices down to date.

GEO. POWELL & CO., CHEAPSIDE, 137 GOVERNMENT ST.

Wishing You a Merrry Christmas

And a Prosperous New Year

We thank our patrons for past favors, and, as ever, will make friends of our customers and customers of our friends.

We have every requisite for your Christmas table: Surprise Bon-Bons—a big stock at your own prices. Fourteen different varieties of cheese, No. 1 Bloater mackerel, the best the Atlantic produces.

Clarets, White Wines, Scotch, Irish, Canadian, and American Whiskies, Ale and Porter, and that Port and Sherry at 40 cents.

DIXI H. ROSS & CO.

Expected the Crowd

And got them—made up a nice lot of Clothes from our stock and have another consignment of Fine Serges just in.

You Can Get : : : :

Your Suit before Christmas if you order now. Wouldn't shave profits so close, but we must have money. No one can touch our prices.

J. W. CREIGHTON, Merchant Tailor, 86 Government Street.

If You

Have not inspected our show window you have not seen the choicest and most elegant assortment of

XMAS NOVELTIES,

In Perfumes, Toilet Articles, etc., ever shown here.

What more dainty and appropriate gift than a bottle of perfume?

John Cochrane,

Prescription Druggist, N. W. Corner Douglas and Yates Streets.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

SNAP—Sickness compells me to sell my half interest in an exceptionally good paying business in California, at a sacrifice; will exchange for property. Apply immediately, 50 David st. dec26-1t

LOST—On Xmas Eve, a pair of lady's fancy garters. Finder please return to this office. dec26

LOST—Lady's purse, containing $30.00 in bills and $2.00 in silver; owner's name on purse. Finder will be suitbaly rewarded by returning to 18 Broad st. de-26-1t

WANTED—Twenty-five men at Beaver Lake. Wages 25 cents an hour. Board, $5 a week. Walkely, King & Casey.

SHINGLES FOR SALE.—In quantities to suit purchaser; $1.15 per thousand. Apply Munn, Holland & Co., 26 1-2 Broad street.

SEE OUR 15c WALL PAPERs. Mellor, Fort street, above Douglas.

ELEPHANT MIXED PAINTS, $1.50 per imperial gallon. Mellor, Fort street, above Douglas.

USE MELLOR'S Bath Enamel, 40 & 65c. J. W. Mellor, Fort Street.

Notice.

Pursuant to the by-laws of the said company, notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the Victoria Lumber and Manufacturing Company, Limited, will be held at the office of the company, No. 74 Yates street, in the city of Victoria, B. C., on Tuesday, the fourteenth day of January, 1896, at 11 o'clock a. m. of that day, for the purpose of choosing directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of any other business that may be brought before said meeting. Immediately after their election, the board of directors will meet to elect officers for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may be brought before them.

WM. H. PHIPPS, Secretary.

December 23rd, 1895.

AUCTION OF FURNITURE

DALLAS ROAD,

POSTONED.

H. CUTHBERT, - Auctioneer.

The Mayoralty.

To the Electors of Victoria: As many friends have been kind enough to express a wish that I become a candidate for the office of Mayor of the city, I have decided to place myself in your hands, respectfully asking your influence and support.

I shall take an opportunity to express my views upon civic affairs at public meetings.

ROBERT BEAVEN,

December 26, 1895. 4t

The Mayoralty

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

Having been solicited by many Ratepayers to again offer myself for re-election at the next annual election for Mayor, I have much pleasure in acceding to their request, and beg to announce myself as a candidate for the ensuing year.

I am, Your Obedient Servant,

de21-td JOHN TEAGUE.

A. S. GOING,

Assoc. M. Am. Soc. C. E.; A. M. Can. Soc. C. E.;

Civil Engineer and Provincial Land Surveyor.

Railroads, Mines, Drainage, Plans, Estimates, Surveys, Construction superintended. Room 23, Five Sisters Block, Victoria, B.C. de26-1m

Members of

TEMPLEMAN'S SUB-COMMITTEE No. 6.

Will meet at Philharmonic Hall, Fort Street, on THURSDAY, 26th inst., at 5 p.m. (up stairs).

A. H. SCAIFE, Chairman.

Public Meeting!

MR. WM. TEMPLEMAN,

AND OTHERS,

..Will address the Electors at..

JOHNS' BROS.' HALL,

Cor. King's Road and Douglas st.

..ON..

Friday Ev'g, 27th Inst.,

Beginning at 8 o'clock, on the issues of the present campaign.

Hon. A. N. Richards will occupy the chair.

Col. Prior, the government candidate, is invited, and will be accorded as much time as the Opposition candidate. This applies to all public meetings held by the Opposition.

—A toilet requisite and a toilet ornament—O-d-o-r-o-m-a.

GOVERMENT DEFEATED

Cardwell Roman Catholics Perceive the Danger of the Remedial Bill.

Colonistic Falsification and Misrepresentation Brought to Light.

Stubbs is Sound on the School Question and the Trade Policy.

Mr. Foster's Little Deficit Has Grown—The Cost of a Premier's Funeral.

Ottawa, Dec. 26.—The Gazette, Montreal, says, "John F. Wood, the new controller of customs, was sworn in as one of the privy council before His Excellency, the Governor-General, at Rideau Hall."

The result of the Cardwell election has been the greatest blow that the government has yet sustained. The ministry have realized that Ontario, at all events, will not submit to see Manitoba coerced. Liberals took warning from dividing their forces as in North Ontario, by sinking their preference for their candidate and voting for Stubbs so as to defeat the coercionists and trade restrictionists. Mr. Stubbs is sound on both.

Boyd, M. P., the government whip in Manitoba, is here seeing Premier Bowell as to what lines the opposition to the Greenway government will take.

British Columbia ought to stand by Manitoba, as it may be her turn next.

Public opinion is growing here against coercion. Roman Catholics in Cardwell voted against it.

The public accounts, which were distributed to-day, show a deficit for the year of a greater sum than was expected, namely $4,153,875. The public debt is increased by $6,891,897. Sir John Thompson's funeral cost $23,831. An additional amount will be asked next session for the Alaska boundary. The cost so far is $44,565. Additional sums of $12,857, on account of the paid Royal commission on the liquor traffic and $4,500 on the colonial conference.

The country's finances are in a terrible shape.

Under the head of "Season's Greetings," the Colonist presented its readers on Christmas day with a compound of malevolence, falsehood and misrepresentation which was peculiarly unfitted for the day. Here is one specimen from the nasty mess. The Colonist paraded the following dispatch to the Montreal Gazette as supporting its own side of the case, but it deliberately suppressed the portion which appears here in capital letters:

"Ottawa, Dec. 16.—Mr. John F. Wood, the controller of inland revenue, was honored, this morning, by Sir Mackenzie Bowell with an offer of the office of controller of customs, to which he was appointed temporarily on Saturday, accompanied with appointment to the Privy Council. THE CONTROLLER LOYALLY ACQUIESCED IN THE WISHES OF HIS CHIEF, AND ACCEPTED THE IMPORTANT POST ASSIGNED TO HIM. ACCORDINGLY IT IS BELIEVED THAT, AT THE MEETING OF THE CABINET TO-DAY, AN ORDER IN COUNCIL WAS PASSED MAKING MR. WOOD THE PARLIAMENTARY HEAD OF THE CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT. IN DUE TIME HE WILL BE SWORN IN AS ONE OF HER MAJESTY'S PRIVY COUNCILLORS. THIS IS SOMETHING MORE THAN AN EMPTY HONOR AND WILL GREATLY FACILITATE THE WORK OF THE CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT. IT WILL ENABLE MR. WOOD, WHEN OCCASION REQUIRES, TO BE PRESENT AT THE MEETINGS OF THE CABINET, AND GIVE HIS COLLEAGUES THE ADVANTAGE OF THE SPECIAL KNOWLEDGE HE WILL ACQUIRE CONCERNING CUSTOMS MATTERS. The transference of Mr. Wood to the customs department leaves a vacancy in the inland revenue department, to which it is understood ol. Prior was appointed to-day. Besides being controller of inland revenue Col. Prior will also be sworn in as a privy councillor. Before coming to Ottawa to take oath of office he will submit himself to the endorsation of his constituents. The bye-election in Victoria will take place at the earliest possible day, so that the new controller of inland revenue may be in his seat in parliament before the session is far advanced. Col. Prior's opponent lost his deposit, polling only 449 votes, whereas the Colonel polled 1031 It is altogether likely that there will be no opposition to his re-election under the circumstances."

The newspaper that would thus deliberately garble in the endeavor to make a point is not to be trusted in any of its statements of fact. That is precisely the view the electors must take for their own protection in this contest; there is no depth of deception, falsehood or trickery to which the Colonist is not ready to descend in the interest of its Ottawa masters. Here is another instance. Though pretending to quote from all the eastern papers on the cabinet minister question, the Colonist pointedly ignores the following dispatch to the Conservative Toronto World:

"Ottawa, Dec. 16.—It is understood that at to-day's meeting of the cabinet Hon. J. F. Wood was appointed controller of customs and Col. Prior, M. P. for Victoria, controller of inland revenue. Mr. Wood's transfer leaves the greatest revenue-producing department in the hands of an Ontario man, and he gets, in addition to considerably more work, the honor of being made a member of the Privy Council. THIS, OF COURSE, DOES NOT MEAN THAT MR. WOOD ATTAINS FULL CABINET RANK, BUT THAT WILL COME IN DUE TIME, as John F. has demonstrated his capacity as a departmental administrator. Nevertheless, it is an honor much sought after and will give him the title of honorable for life.

"Col. Prior will also be sworn a member of the Privy Council. The Colonel is admittedly an able man. During the twenty years that he has been in British Columbia, he has built up a successful hardware business, which is the largest in the province. Col. Prior has long been identified with prominent enterprises in British Columbia. He is a Yorkshireman by birth.

"BY CREATING MR. WOOD AND MR. PRIOR MEMBERS OF THE PRIVY COUNCIL WHEN MATTERS AFFECTING THEIR DEPARTMENTS COME UP AT CABINET MEETINGS, THEY MAY BE INVITED TO A SEAT AT THE COUNCIL BOARD, BUT WITHOUT A VOTE."

Of course this could not be quoted by the Colonist, since it exactly bears out what the Times said and makes the Colonist contentions look extremely ridiculous. The omission, however, is all the more significant from the fact that THE TORONTO WORLD'S OTTAWA CORRESPONDENT IS ALSO THE COLONIST'S CORRESPONDENT.

There are a few more extracts from the eastern papers which the organ either ignores or dishonestly endeavors to twist to suit its purposes. The following editorial note from the Montreal Gazette is peculiarly significant:

"It is announced that Messrs. Wood and Prior, the new controllers of cus sworn of the Privy Council. It is not known whether this step is intended to be preliminary to restoring these positions to their old status of cabinet offices, but it seems to be in that direction. The duties of the controllers are quite as important as those which attach to some other cabinet portfolios, and the present plan must often result in inconvenience if not misunderstanding. It is a little anomalous to have in the same government members who do not hold portfolios, and portfolios which do not have members in the government council. The plan of having half-ministers was an experiment, which the public has not yet developed an affection for, and if it was discarded no one would object."

The editor of the Gazette, like all other newspaper editors and correspondents in the east, failed to see how a man could be a controller and a cabinet minister at one and the same time. The controllerships are the "portfolios which do not have members in the government council." Here are two extracts from the Montreal Herald:

"In the studied refusal of the premier to provide information as to what post the new comer is to fill, it is to be presumed that the genial colonel from British Columbia is to take Mr. Angers' place in the cabinet. Sir Adolphe Caron and Col. Prior are known to be great friends personally, but it is a question if Sir Adolphe's pleasure in the acquisition of such pleasant companionship in the council chamber will offset his French-Canadian fellow countrymen's chagrin that they should be deprived of any portion of that cabinet representation which custom has hitherto allowed them."

"The Ottawa Citizen is not very enthusiastic over Col. Prior's admission to the government. It does say, however, that 'the Colonel can sing a good song, and is popular with the ladies, but this does not prevent him from possessing those solid qualities such as would make him valuable at the head of a department.' No, it does not prevent him, but the gallant Colonel's social graces are the only qualifications he has exhibited during several sessions at the capital."

The writer of the first paragraph could not understand a man being a member of the cabinet without a portfolio, and, therefore, assumed that Col. Prior was to succeed Mr. Angers as minister of agriculture. The Montreal man hit upon the idea which Victorians might have supposed would occur to the government. Why was not Col. Prior made a minister, when there was a department vacant?

Winnipeg, Dec. 26.—The Manitoba legislature has been dissolved, and an appeal to the country will be made on the school issues. Polling will take place on January 15, and the new house meets January 25. Premier Greenway, in an address on the issue, says: "I assert that our people are perfectly competent to deal with our own educational concerns, and I resent the imputations that they have treated any portion of the community with injustice or in a spirit of intolerance. I protest against the proposed action of the Dominion parliament to destroy our national school system, without investigation, and in ignorance of the circumstances."

Politics were given a rest yesterday, but the interest was increased to-day. Candidates are being nominated in country constituencies and there is a prospect of contests in most of them. In the city all three divisions will be contested, with the probability of a three-cornered fight in North Winnipeg.

Norman H. Taylor, a popular young man, died yesterday of consumption.

LOOKS LIKE WAR DOESN'T IT?

The Ottawa Government, in all the Empty War Wind, Disbands Troops.

Rat Portage, Dec. 26.—The war scare cannot be troubling the powers that be at Ottawa to any great extent. They have decided to disband the 96th battalion. Some time ago they decided to disband three companies, but to keep up one at the Sault, one at Port Arthur and one here, but the order now comes for the remaining companies to turn in their outfits, and the officers are now getting the equipment in shape to hand over to the deputy adjutant-general.

THE DISPATCHES DOUBTED.

Even Cubans Scarcely Believe Gomez Has Been So Bold.

Washington City, Dec. 26.—The officials of the Spanish legation appear not to be disturbed by the news coming from Havana. They ridicule the idea of the insurgents taking a city like Havana, with its population of 300,000 people. Minister de Lome has received several dispatches from Havana, showing in part the condition of affairs.

A dispatch from Gen. Anderius, who is second in command, reports that at 1 o'clock to-day he had just had a conference with Gen. Campos, then at Limonara. Gen. Campos intended to start for Guanabana, where he expected to pass the night. The latter is a regular point of railroad communication, and is to the west of Limonara. Yesterday, the minister is advised, Campos met the band of Maximo Gomez, the engagement taking place on a plantation where fires had been started by the insurgents. The Spanish loss was twelve wounded, who were taken to the hospital at Matanzas. The insurgents fell back and divided into groups. Gens. Valdez and Luque are in the vanguard of the army, in full communication with the commander-in-chief.

A dispatch received by the minister to-day reported that the bands of Maceo and Gomez are avoiding fighting, and burning the canefields. All the engagements, the dispatch says, have been satisfactory to the government.

New York, Dec. 24.—Members of the Cuban revolutionary party residing in this city express a doubt concerning the authenticity of the reports from Cuba to the effect that the insurgents are rapidly advancing upon Havana. Emilo A. Gramonte, prominently identified with the local Cuban societies, said to-night that he had received no official confirmation of any of the press dispatches received from Cuba. He did not believe there was any possibility of any attempt on the part of the insurgents to capture Havana at the present time. The policy of the Cuban generals was to fight in the open fields, not caring to be surrounded by the Spanish troops in the vicinity of a large city like Havana, where at least 30,000 citizens would be impressed into the Spanish army by the authorities in case of the near approach of the rebels.

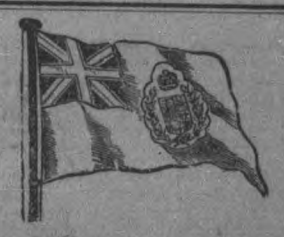
Cable News.

Pais, Dec. 26.—Max Le Baudy is dead. Max Le Baudy purchased the Le Soir last summer and also gained considerable notoriety as a sportsman.

Opposition meeting to-night at Victoria Theatre. Colonel Prior invited to attend.

—Paper bags and wrapping paper; wholesale price. Johnston's, Douglas street.

—There was a small fire in one of the windows of Ald. Cameron's clothing store on Tuesday evening. Some of the decorations caught fire from the gas. Very little damage was done.



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THE OTHER BAD CHILD

Spain's Second Disobedient Dependency, Porto Rica, Joins the Cuban Junta.

Cuba's Success Means Her Triumph, and Cuba Also Appreciates the Alliance.

New York, Dec. 26.—A local paper says: Members of the Porto Rican revolutionary party, who have organized a junta to work in conjunction with the Cuban junta, are purchasing arms and fitting out an expedition. The organization of the party and junta has met with the approval of Porto Ricans in this city and elsewhere who realize that a decisive blow can be struck for liberty, now that Spain's energy is devoted to quelling the insurrection in Cuba.

It was positively learned last night that Senor Estrada Palma, on behalf of the Cuban junta, has entered into a compact with Dr. J. Julian Henna, president of the Porto Rican revolutionary party, whereby both parties will co-operate in promoting the cause of Cuba and Porto Rica. President Henna acknowledged that he had been in consultation with President Palma, and that steps will at once be taken to assist the people of Porto Rica, who are anxiously awaiting the signal to arise.

A meeting of the members of both the Cuban and Porto Rican juntas will be held at the Cuban headquarters, when a plan of campaign suitable to the Porto Ricans will be decided upon.

The Cuban junta recognizes that it has secured powerful allies in the war with Spain. With the development of an insurrection in Porto Rica the efforts of the Spanish to put down the insurrection in Cuba will necessarily be weakened, and troops will be sent from the Island of Cuba to Porto Rica.

For months past the revolutionary Porto Ricans in this city have been corresponding with the revolutionary spirits in the island, and President Henna said to-day that thirty towns had been heard from whose inhabitants are all ready to revolt when the proper time comes. He said:

"We addressed communications also to our general delegate, Dr. Ramon Betances, who is also agent for the Cubans in Paris, and to other prominent Porto Ricans and Cubans abroad. From them we received great encouragement and proffers of assistance. They forwarded me the necessary documents of indorsements.

"I realize that a few men have no right to force a revolution, even in the cause of liberty, but our people are waiting only for leaders, and revolution is what the people want. Our plans are maturing.

Cuba's success means Porto Rica's triumph. We will aid Cuba and she will aid us. When we are prepared for battle our people will arise, armed with guns and ammunition sent from this and other countries."

VENEZUELAN COMMISSION.

President Cleveland is Considering the Personnel of the Arbitrators.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 26.—President Cleveland is just now devoting a large share of his time to the consideration of the personnel of the Venezuelan boundary commission to the exclusion of practically all other public matters, including that of another bond issue, which latter he regards as, temporarily at least, in the hands of congress.

In making selections for the boundary commission, the President, it is said, will be guided by only one consideration, namely that the members shall be men of international reputation, of high character and intellectual attainments. He will use greater care in the selections, for the reason that it is said the work of the commission will be largely of an ex parte nature and hence the character of the commission must be such as to command for their conclusions the full confidence and respect of all nations.

It is thought that the President is especially anxious that Chief Justice Fuller of the United States supreme court, should head the commission, but there are said to be reasons why it should not be expedient for the chief justice to relinquish, even for a short time, his place as presiding officer of the court. The matter, however, it is believed, has not been definitely settled and Mr. Fuller may yet be called upon to form one of the commission. Ex-Minister E. J. Phelps, it is believed, has already been offered a place on the commission and if he has not accepted, it is thought he hardly will do so. The name of ex-Secretary Robert Lincoln is suggested, and it is believed the president now has it under consideration. The fact that Mr. Justice Harlan, of the United States supreme court, served on the Behring Sea commission, has naturally brought forward his name in connection with the Venezuelan commission, but there are good reasons to believe his name has been passed over. The name of ex-Senator George F. Edmunds, of Vermont, has been considered by the President, but whether he would accept it is by no means certain, nor can it be stated positively that the President is fully satisfied as to the expediency of his appointment. Many other names have been suggested and are now under consideration.

Later—New York, Dec. 26.—A World special dispatch from Washington this morning says: President Cleveland has tendered places on the Venezuelan high commission to Edward J. Phelps, of Vermont, ex-Minister to England, and Robert Lincoln, of Illinois, ex-minister to England. Their acceptances have not been received. The third place will not be filled until Mr. Phelps or Mr. Lincoln accept.

—To the aged, with their poor appetite, feeble circulation, and impoverished blood, Ayer's Sarsaparilla is a boon beyond price. Its effect is to check the ravages of time, by invigorating every organ, nerve, and tissue of the body. See Ayer's Almanac for the new year.

—Mother writes: "No trouble now getting the children to attend to their teeth, they like Odoroma so much."

—China tea sets at Cheapside. *

ANOTHER BRIGHT SAMPLE.

Of Some of the "War" Rot—An Awfully Bad "Mix-Up."

A dispatch sent out from Montreal to the American papers contains the following delightfully mixed knowledge, and is a sample of the greater portion of the war rubbish that is telegraphed everywhere:

Montreal, Dec. 23.—Canada is beginning to look a little more seriously than at first at the war question. The 59th battalion, composed almost entirely of Scotch, with headquarters in the county of Stormont, and to whom the first defence of the frontier south of Mount Royal would fall, cabled to Lord Salisbury: "Do not lose any sleep over the defense on our part of the frontier. We will triple our number of men if war should be declared."

RELIGIOUS RIOT IN BUFFALO.

Feud Between Catholic Factions Creates Much Excitement.

Buffalo, Dec. 2.—A feud which has existed for some time between the congregation of St. Adelbert Polish Roman Catholic church and the dissenters who formed the church of the Holy Rosary, broke out to-day in a riot of serious proportions. The leading cause of the outbreak was the action yesterday of Father Flaczek, of St. Adelbert's church, in seizing by replevin a banner of the Holy Rosary church. A number of the latter congregation surrounded the priest's house and stoned the windows until they were driven off by the police.

To-day a dinner was given by Father Flaczek to the Polish Roman Catholic priests of the city, in honor of Saint Thomas' day, and the event was made the occasion of a determined attack upon the priests by the dissenters.

When Father Flaczek and his guests saw the mob, numbering one thousand, they at once barricaded the doors. The mob yelled and jeered and hurled stones and other missiles through the windows. The police appeared on the scene and dispersed the mob, making thirteen arrests.

THE DEMOCRATIC SUBSTITUTE

Coinage of Silver Seigniorage—Redemption of Greenbacks.

Washington, Dec. 26.—A plan has been drafted by ex-Speaker Crisp and Mr. Bailey, of Texas, which will be offered as a substitute for the Republican measures to be presented on Thursday. It is based on the old bill for the coinage of the silver seigniorage which was passed by the last congress and vetoed by the president. But to this bill, modified, will be added a feature for the redemption of greenbacks. The principal change in the seigniorage bill will be the omission of that part which rendered available the seigniorage before it had been coined, by the use of silver certificates based upon it. The framers of the bill hold that this feature is not necessary, because there is no immediate deficiency in the treasury. The other feature of the plan will provide for the redemption of greenbacks in silver whenever the amount of gold in the treasury falls below one hundred millions. This may be offered as an amendment to the seigniorage bill, as more votes can be mustered for the former than the latter proposition. The democrats who favor the plan intend, of course, merely to place themselves on record as consistent in their financial policy.

INCREASE DUTIES ON IMPORTS.

Chicago Business Men Also Favor a Gold Bond Issue.

Chicago, Dec. 26.—The Times-Herald this morning says:

Chicago business men are almost unanimously of the opinion that the only way to pay the debts of the nation is to increase the duties on imports. They were pleased at the prompt action of congress in responding to the appeal of the President to relieve the treasury by another issue of gold bonds, because they felt the issue was necessary to meet the present exigencies. But it was considered this ought to be the final issue of bonds, as higher import duties would provide the government with sufficient funds in the future, and the gold reserve would remain intact.

Secretary Carlisle's statement that the present tariff is sufficient to support the government is disputed by one on the ground that the administration is compelled to keep the gold reserve intact by issue after issue of bonds. Everywhere it is recognized that more revenue is needed to carry on the business of the nation without appealing to foreigners to buy government bonds. Increase of internal imports is not favored, though some would like to see a stamp tax and others a tax on beer. The needed revenue should come from imports, particularly luxuries, so that the burden would be equally distributed. The United States exports food products, while most of the imports might be classed as luxuries.

In the interviews obtained by the Times-Herald yesterday, several merchants declared that they would not favor a general advance in taxes on imports, but would rather have the duties limited to tea, coffee, sugar, imported cigars and other luxuries. Only a few Democrats hold that free trade is best for the country. S. P. McConnell, president of the Iroquois club, though he considers a high tariff to be vicious, holds that Mr. Cleveland's policy of gold monometallism will compel the government to increase the duties on imports in order to pay the debts of the nation. While another issue of gold bonds is advocated by Chicago men, the bankers generally believe the present embarrassment only temporary.

—Major C. T. Picton is manager of the State hotel, at Denison, Texas, which the travelling men say is one of the best hotels in that section. In speaking of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea remedy, Major Picton says: "I have used it myself and in my family for several years, and take pleasure in saying that I consider it an infallible cure for diarrhoea and dysentery. I always recommend it, and have frequently administered it to my guests in the hotel, and in every case it has proven itself worthy of unqualified endorsement. For sale by all druggists. Langley & Co., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver. *

—Always ask for Okell & Morris' jams and jellies.

IS OUTGENERALLED.

General Campos, Spain's Most Able Officer, Badly Fooled by the Cubans.

The Insurgents, by a Clever March, Outdank Him and Get Inside.

Havana, Dec. 24.—Shortly after noon to-day the startling news was received from Matanzas that Gen. Gomez, at the head of the insurgent army, said to number about 12,000 men of all arms, fairly well supplied with artillery, had by a feint turned the left flank of Capt. Gen. Martinez Campos, who, in command of the Spanish forces at Colon, had attempted to stop the advance of the enemy upon Havana, and were all to the westward of Colon and threatening Matanzas to the southward and preparing to strike directly at Havana. The receipt of this startling news has caused the greatest excitement here, both in official and unofficial circles.

As previously detailed in these dispatches, the insurgents, a little over two weeks ago, entered the province of Santa Clara from the province of Puerto Principe, at Igura, and, there defeating Col. Segnera and a Spanish column they made a wonderful advance through the province, passing through the flower of the Spanish army assembled there, said to number about 5000 men. After some sharp skirmishes in which the Spaniards were worsted, Gen. Campos, who had made his headquarters at Santa Clara, transferred them to Cienfuegos, with the announced intention of personally commanding the troops which were to check the insurgent advances. But in spite of the repeated reverses the insurgents pressed onward, and passing Placetas, Santa Clara, San Juan de Lasyeras, Ranchuelo and other towns pushed on for the frontier of Matanzas. At one time it was reported that they intended to attack Santa Clara, but their tactics seemed co be to pass all the big towns and press on for Havana. It was only a few days ago that the announcement was made that the insurgents were at Las Lajas and marching onward to Havana. Then came the news that the insurgents had entered the province of Matanzas at Palma Sola. Before this, however, Gen. Campos had changed his headquarters to Colon, and he commenced hurriedly concentrating his forces there, intending to compel Gen. Gomez to fight a pitched battle before passing that place. A day or so ago the insurgents caused a flurry in Colon. Firing was heard at Ajuca, about fifteen miles from that place, and reinforcements were sent to the front, but this turned out to be little more than an outpost affair, and while the Spanish troops made for this point, the main body of the army passed south to Colon near the line of railroad and headed for the frontier province of Havana, turning the flank of the captain general, who, with the bulk of the Spanish forces in the island of Cuba, is now well to the rear of the insurgent columns.

The latter are moving more rapidly than the Spanish troops, who, utterly unused to travelling in thickly wooded country, without regular roads and with heavy grasses and low bushwood to interfere with every movement, are not thought likely to catch up with the quickly moving Cubans, whose machetes clear a road for their advance, and who are much more familiar with the country and accusomed to the climate, and can easily distance the Spanish soldiers, only recently brought into the country.

Gomez, by a beautifully executed countermarch, has turned the flank of the famous Spanish commander, and today, with his army, made his appearance close to the town of Jovellano, well to the rear of Colon, and commanding the railroads to Cadenas, Matanzas and Havana. The movement of the insurgents was an example of splendid generalship, accomplished under the most trying circumstances and in the face of overwhelming numbers of Spanish troops, commanded by the best officers of Spain. The insurgents burned the railroad station of Quintina, east of Jovellano, and destroyed the railroads behind them to prevent the advance of the Spanish troops upon their rear. The last news received was that they had passed Linomara, a small town only a few miles from Matanzas, and were pushing for the railroad which connects Matanzas with Havana.

It seems there is nothing likely to prevent them from capturing Havana within the next few days, for the Spanish commanders appear to have entirely lost their heads, and, unless Campos has accomplished a miracle of daring strategy in allowing Gomez and his friends to slip by, in order that the Spanish troops may be hurried after them, and by a sortie from Havana catch them between two fires, the insurgents are masters of the situation. The odds against the Spaniards being able to press on after the triumphant insurgent army are very heavy. Not only have the insurgents destroyed the railroads behind them, thus burning their ships, as it were, but they have in many other ways done everything possible to impede the progress of the Spanish army, and the friends of the insurgents here are confident that the arrival of Gomez before Havana will shortly be announced. As it is, the insurgent cavalry have been sighted within fifty miles of Havana, to the westward of Matanzas, and had apparently taken possession of the railroads joining that seaport to this city.

Railroad and mail communication between Jovallanao, Colon and Matanzas are interruped and it is believed to be only a few hours when the telegraphic communication with Matanzas and the east will be cut. General Campos has ordered the Spanish commanders nearest to the insurgents, Generals Valdes and Navarro to do everything possible to attack the insurgents under any and all circumstances, but it is not thought likely that these generals will dare to do what the captain general had been unable to do.

A later dispatch says Captain General Campos has managed to get out of Colon, and that he has placed himself at the head of the Spanish forces at Limonara, twenty miles east of Matanzas, where he expects to be able to strike at the insurgents.

Thousands of people from all parts of the country around Matanzas are flocking in terror into that city, according to the official dispatches, but other reports say that in the main they offer to join the insurgents, who are being plentifully supplied with provisions by the inhabitants of all the towns along the route they follow. The little town of Jacon, Santo Domingo, where a detachment of soldiers under a captain and two lieutenants of the Spanish army, were attacked and for the most part cut to pieces by the insurgents, is almost deserted.

Christmas evening is ushered in with something like dismay in this city, and the apprehension is hourly gaining ground that Havana will be beseiged by armed forces before Christmas day is over.

The insurgents' advance at latest advices seems to be uninterrupted, thus contradicting a report sent out during the afternoon that they had been turned back in a pitched battle by Campos himself, and were striving to make their way back into Santa Clara province. This rumor stated in great detail that General Campos in person, at the head of the Spanish forces had succeeded in coming face to face with Gomez and his forces at the plantation of Coliseo, which was in flames. The plantation is situated twelve miles from Cardenas and twenty-one miles from Matanzas. The insurgents, it was said, were hemmed in and were compelled to fight. Desperate engagements were reported, the combatants being surrounded by the flames of the burning plantation. The insurgents, it is said, were dispersed, leaving 700 hundred dead and wounded on the field. The troops' loss, it was reported, was comparatively insignificant, being only fourteen and Generals Valdez and Luque had already started to Sebanilla del Incomodadum, supported by several other columns, in pursuit of the flying insurgents, who are supposed to be making their way back to Santa Clara province at their best speed. This report had the effect of generally restoring confidence here, and it was generally believed for a time, as it indicated that Gomez had given up his campaign for lack of support in Matanzas.

The details of this engagement had hardly become disseminated through the city, however, before there came a further report that the insurgents were marching toward Guanabana, and that Captain General Campos had hastened to that point to oppose the advance, thus once more moving his headquarters westward and nearer Havana, as he had to do so often within the last few days. Guanabana is only about five miles out of Matanzas and ten or fifteen miles west of Coliseo plantation, where General Campos was said to have won his important victory over Gomez in person.

It became evident that the reports of General Campos' successful stand and rout of the insurgents was either unfounded, or that the force he had met with was merely a wing of the insurgent army sent out to make a diversion, while the main column pushed on to the westward.

All is confusion of mind here, and the authorities are apparently all at sea as to what will be the next step of the insurgents, whether Matanzas will be beseiged or whether the advance on that point is merely a feint to hold the Spanish forces there while the insurgents make a way once more in the west of Havana, which is less than ten miles from Mantanzas. The near approach of the insurgents to Mantanzas has, in fact, had the effect of concentrating all the available Spanish forces at that town.

—When most needed it is not unusual for your family physician to be away from home. Such was the experience of Mr. J. Y. Schenck, editor of the Caddo, Ind. Terr., Banner, when his little girl, two years of age, was threatened with a severe attack of croup. He says: "My wife insisted that I go for the doctor, but as our family physician was out of town, I purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's cough remedy, which relieved her immediately. I will not be without it in the future. 75 cent bottles for sale by all druggists. Langley & Co., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver. *

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Mr. Hayseed—The porter made me promise not to do it.

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Victoria, B.C., March 20th, 1895.

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—Dolls at the Manchester House will be sold at cost this week by order of the consignor.

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—On Monday evening the members of the St. Andrew's and Caledonian Society hold their monthly meeting. A good concert programme has been prepared. It will be followed by a dance.

—Mr. Thomas Preece and Miss G. A. Carter were quietly married on Wednesday evening by the Rev. P. H. McEwen. Miss Williams attended the bride and the groom was supported by Mr. John Stewart.

—Forged bills of lading with the name of H. R. Sanderson, Great Northern agent at Burlington, on the Coast line, have been set afloat in Seattle and business men have been warned against negotiating them, and are advised to stop payment on any checks already issued on that account.

—So thorough is the excellence of Ayer's Hair Vigor that it can be used with benefit by any person, no matter what may be the condition of the hair, and, in every case, it occasions satisfaction and pleasure, in addition to the benefit which invariably comes from its use.

—The pupils of Cedar Hill school, of which Mr. Cogswell is teacher, held their annual Christmas festival on Tuesday evening. This is the 25th time the pupils of this school have joined together in celebrating Christmas eve. A number of the leading business firms of the city contributed articles for the Christmas tree, which was crowded with presents for the children. All had a fine time.

GEORGE GARESCHE MARRIED.

He Wedded a San Francisco Girl Last Wednesday.

George H. Garesche, well known in this city, which was formerly his home, was married at San Francisco on Wednesday last. The young lady is Miss Hannah Moore, of that city, and the marriage is said to have terminated an engagement which lasted for several months. The ceremony was performed at the Sacred Heart church, and Rev. Father Dillon was the officiating clergyman. Only a few friends were present to extend their congratulations. It is understood that Mr. and Mrs. Garesche will make their home in San Francisco.

The first intimation of the wedding received here was a marriage notice published in the San Francisco papers. At first there was doubt about the identity of the groom, but when the news was confirmed the many friends of Mr. Garesche expressed their congratulations and good wishes among themselves. Few young men who ever resided here have more friends, and while the announcement of his wedding came as a surprise, they nevertheless wish him every good fortune.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT METHODS.

To the Editor: I wish to call public attention to the following letter from Mr. D. Spragge, which appeared in the Times on Saturday last:

THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

To the Editor: I wish to enter an emphatic protest against the brutal methods adopted by the health department of this city in dealing with patients who have been unfortunate enough to suffer from scarletina. My family were quarantined for over a month with this disease. They were notified that they were to be removed to the isolation hospital so that the residence might be fumigated. During my absence on Wednesday evening the department sent an ordinary express wagon without any covering to protect Mrs. Spragge and the children of tender years, weakened by sickness from the inclement weather. They were bundled into this vehicle and through the snow and rain of Wednesday night taken to the isolation hospital. Here they were kept all night and after being bathed and fumigated were turned out into the street and not even asked if they had any means of reaching home. And it was for trying to prevent such indignities as these that Dr. Ernest Hall was brought before the magistrate and fined! For the sake of humanity, is it not about time that reforms were instituted in the health department of this city?

D. SPRAGGE.

Now Solon, who lived 500 years before Christ, was once asked, "which is the most perfect popular government?" His reply was: "That where the least injury, done to the meanest individual, is considered as an insult to the whole constitution." No truer maxim of public morality has ever been uttered.

If Mr. D. Spragge's statements are untrue they might be refuted just as publicly as they have been made; if on the other hand, they are true, then the whole constitution has been grossly insulted by the injury done to Mr. Spragge's family, and all right-thinking citizens should rise as one man and declare that such official blundering, (not to use a stronger word) should be put a stop to, and the prepretators of such ignorant cruelty called to account. To pass over such an incident unheeded shows the lamentable want of public spirit in this city and a condition of public moral depravity that is a disgrace to a civilized community.

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THE DISPUTE AT SANDON.

How the Kaslo and Slocan People Cleared the Ground.

Sandon is about four miles from Three Forks on Carpenter Creek. The town at present consists of quite a number of hotels and stores on each side of a street thirty feet wide, all the buildings but two being below the line of the K. & S. railway, which at this point circles around the upper end of the town to a point a little beyond the wagon road which goes up to the Slocan Star mine. The Kaslo & Slocan people claim 150 feet from their line for siding and station purposes and the Nakusp & Slocan people say they have no right to it and proceeded to put up a station, freight house and tracks on it. Hence the trouble. Injunctions have been issued from Victoria and dissolved and the K. & S. people this week brought the matter to a crisis.

On Sunday night about 8 o'clock, at Kaslo station, the K. & S. people assembled 60 or 70 strong, able-bodied men of several nationalities with tools of every description, and it was supposed they were going to repair a large bridge which had settled somewhere on the line. They, however, ultimately landed at Sandon, about 3 a.m. on Monday, under the leadership of Mr. Fforlliott, manager for Messrs. Foley Brothers & Guthrie, the contractors who built the K. & S. railway; Mr. McGraw, the superintendent of the line, and Mr. Miller.

The men employed by Mr. Clements, the contractor putting up the buildings for the N. & S., with Mr. Hamilton, the agent and the telegraph operator, were asleep in the boarding car, which was placed on the track, and at a near point was a freight car to be loaded with ore from the Reco mine. The Kaslo people began operations by turning the switch and running the cars off. The freight car, going fast, jumped the track at the switch, the boarding car bumping into it pretty roughly. By the time the boarding car was started most of the occupants were awake, and as its motion increased Mr. Clements jumped and landed on some loose boards, getting severely bruised. The others stayed with the car until the collision, when the stove pinned the agent to the wall, making a large bruise on his leg. Fortunately the stove was cold. The other men in the car were badly shaken, but not seriously hurt.

The work of destruction was now begun. The freight shed was quickly torn down and the remains thrown upon lands the K. & S. do not claim. The bridge forming the new road put in by the N. & S. was demolished and the posts sawed off. The platform which blocked the way of the old government wagon road was destroyed. Ties and rails were torn up and also part of the platform.

The warriors now went to breakfast, while telegraph messages were sent to inform the various officials of the trouble.

Mr. Lawrence, roadmaster of the N. & S., and Mr. Johnson were soon on the ground, and with a small number of men attempted to re-lay the track. The Napoleon of the K. & S., Mr. Fforlliott, lined up his men at point E, and when the N. & S. men attempted to put a tie down they were immediately upset with some small force and the tie thrown after them. The officials attempted to go on the ground in dispute and were pushed back and technically assaulted. The men employed by Mr. Clements went into the station and commenced work, but were immediately stopped and led carefully out. The station was now the only building left on on the disputed ground. It was 50x-2 feet and partly two storeys high.

Telegrams in cipher were now the order of the day, and every hotel in Sandon was filled with rumors. "Every official of the K. & S. was to be arrested," "Mr Marpole was on his way from the main line and would be in Sandon by 9 a.m. Tuesday with 400 men," etc., but Monday passed off quietly.

Tuesday there was great difficulty in hearing any news from the outside, as the wires were reported to be down and the morning, which was cold, the thermometer registering about zero, passed off quietly.

Soon after 12 the K. & S. train arrived and a crowd of men swarmed out of the cars, under Superintendent McGraw. They at once attacked the station building with axes and hammers, and the splinters flew on all sides. Remonstrances were made against the destruction by N. & S. officials on the ground, but were disregarded. It was now known by the N. & S. people that Mr. Marpole had left Three Forks and would be in Sandon in thirty minutes and that he had no force of men with him. The business of destruction proceed as fast as 60 or 70 men could work. Ropes were brought and fastened to the building, then led through a block and attached to the engine, which went slowly ahead and amid the excited yells of the crowd the main building was pulled down fifty minutes from the commencement of the work.

The whistle of the large engine of the N. & S. was now heard, and shortly afterwards the train came into the yard. Messrs. Marpole, D. McGillivray, Lawrence, Johnson and a few passengers descended and quietly viewed the scene. Superintendent McGraw shouted to his men and told them to line up and throw anyone back who attemped cross the line at point E, but no attempt was made to do so. After looking over the ground and apparently giving directions for the rearrangement of the tracks, etc., Mr. Marpole left about 3:30, and shortly afterwards the K. & S. train pulled out with the officials for Kaslo, leaving all quiet at the seat of war.

Mr. Marpole was seen, but had nothing to communicate for publication. The courts would no doubt settle the difficulty. It was a pity such a great destruction of property had taken place, as an undertaken could have been given to leave things as they were until a legal decision was arrived at.

Mr. Ffolliott was also seen. He said he regretted the destruction of the property, but had acted throughout under legal advice sent from Victoria. Had the N. & S. people agreed, when asked on Monday to give an undertaking not to trespass, until the matter could be decided in the courts, the pulling down of the station of the N. & S. would have been avoided, but he could get no promise and his instructions had to be carried out. the K. & S. company had bought the ground claimed and were fully entitled to it, and he could not see what right the N. & S. railway could possibly have to the property in question. It was vital to the proper working of the K. & S. that they should make sidings, which they could not possibly do if the N. & S. were allowed to divert the wagon road as they wanted to do.

At Sandon the feeling seemed to be that the K. & S. people were in the right, but at the same time it was thought that some arrangement might easily have been arrived at which would have prevented the destruction of so much valuable property.

The whole case will doubtless be fought out in the courts and the lawyers engaged will have plenty of work before it is finally settled.—Nelson Miner.

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JOSHUA DAVIES

AUCTIONEER,

Room 7, - Board of Trade Building.

The Daily Times.

DESPICABLE METHODS.

The Colonist has its own campaign methods, and they cannot be considered at all nice by fair-minded people. Garbled extracts and distorted reports of public meetings are not considered decent weapons by decent newspapers. On two occasions during the campaign the Colonist has been caught in the offense of garbling, and the specimen we take note of to-day is a peculiarly gross one. What sort of a cause is it that seems to require dirty work of this kind? The candidate must have an exceedingly slim chance of election when it is deemed necessary in his behalf to resort to the methods of the thug.

AFRAID.

Col. Prior is afraid of discussion. He has been invited to attend opposition meetings, and is assured of the fairest treatment, but he remains away. He does not invite, and will not allow, opposition speakers at his meetings. But the most remarkable scheme by or for the Colonel is the engagement of Fairall's hall, in Victoria West, apparently for the purpose of preventing its use by the opposition for a meeting there. The hall has been taken for two weeks, on Col. Prior's behalf, and no use is made of it. What do the electors think of this scheme of avoiding discussion? Men generally despise cowardly tactics, and we do not for a moment suppose Victorians will take kindly to them.

GET AN EXPLANATION.

It seems to be time that misleading dispatches from politicians in Ottawa were replaced by some explanation of the process by which a controller can be changed into a cabinet minister. An act of parliament stands in the way, and people have naturally a large amount of curiosity as to the method by which Sir Mackenzie Bowell pretends to have done away with this act. Colonel Prior is very likely deceived himself over this matter, and may honestly believe he has been given a rank from which the law seems to debar a controller. He has admitted that he cannot explain the mysterious process used to remove this difficulty, and one might suppose he would feel it a duty to himself to secure an explanation from headquarters. He cannot expect other people to partake of his childlike faith in Premier Bowell's bare dictum.

A GOVERNMENT DEFEAT.

Cardwell has emphatically condemned the government, not only on its school policy, but on its trade policy. It is especially significant that the Catholic electors of the riding should have voted against the government, and that circumstance shows plainly that they clearly see the true import of the proposal to coerce Manitoba. No true friend of liberty, whatever his religion, could be found supporting the proposal that the Dominion should step in and take away the rights of the province. Cardwell's declaration, as we have said, is very emphatic, and the government will not venture to represent it as an indication that Ontario approves the "remedial legislation" programme. In Cardwell the positions of the candidates were clearly defined; there was no refusal to make a positive declaration, after the fashion of Mr. McGillivray in North Ontario. The Liberal and McCarthyite candidates were practically on the same platform on both the school and trade questions, and their votes must be set off against that polled for the government candidate. The majority in that case is very marked. There can be no doubt about the severity of the blow which Cardwell has dealt the government. It is nothing less than a death blow; there is no possible chance of recovery from it. The fact that the successful candidate is a follower of Mr. McCarthy, the erstwhile Conservative manager, makes the government's defeat all the more significant. Despite the exertions on his behalf of Ministers Foster, Montague, Tupper and Daly, and lesser lights of the party, the government representative was hopelessly defeated in this formidably Conservative riding. Nobody can misunderstand the meaning of this event.

Premier Bowell offers $5000 for a British Columbia coercionist. It looks as if he would get his money back.

It is said that after Premier Bowell and Prior have settled affairs in Manitoba they will accept a position under the Czar of Russia, who desires to suppress thinking on the part of the people.

SNAP SHOTS.

This bye-election is a finish fight between boodle and principle. Which will win?

Prior could not get the postmen their pay, but he got $5000 for Prior. That's the difference between Prior and the postmen.

If Wallace and Prior were weighed as patriots, which would kick the beam?

Some one who believes in the old saw, "a place for everything and everything in its place," should hoist a flag labelled "The Bowell government" on the San Pedro. Both are wrecks.

Some men will do anything for $5000.

There are no vags in town now. They are all working—against Manitoba.

Question: If Wallace is a patriot, what is Prior?

Premier Bowell has great consideration for the wishes of the people of Victoria. We have been vainly endeavoring to get the San Pedro off the rocks for three years, but we can get a controllership in a minute. That shows we don't know what's good for us.

A great majority in Cardwell said: "No coercion!" A great majority in Victoria will re-echo this declaration.

The C. P. R. steamers should call at the outer wharf until after election day. It would be more consistent and might help the Colonel.

He who accepts the statements appearing in the Colonist as correct should have a guardian appointed at once, to save him from being run over by the cars, or otherwise injured.

Montreal Herald: When one considers that Clarke Wallace regards the election in North Ontario as supporting his stand against remedial legislation, while Hon. J. A. Ouimet sees in it a triumph for remedial legislation, it is not surprising if Sir Mackenzie Bowell does not derive much comfort from the result. And when that result is ascribed by Col. J. A. McGillivray, M.P., to his well known P.P.A. views and opposition to separate schools, while Hon. John Costigan credits it to his influence with the Catholic electors in favor of separate schools, is it any wonder that the people ask where they are at?

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

Events of Interest in the Amateur and Professional Field.

THE RING.

El Paso, Tex., Dec. 26.—Martin Julian and Bob Fitzsimmons had some words last night at the opera house, where Fitzsimmons is giving exhibitions, and Julian announced to the reporters this morning that he would have nothing further to do with Fitz. It is thought the quarrel will be patched up.

FOOTBALL.

RUGBY MATCHES.

A team captained by J. F. Foulkes on Tuesday defeated a team from the navy by 6 points to 5.

The following team will play against the navy at the Canteen grounds on Saturday: Full back, H. Petticrew; three-quarter backs, J. M. Miller (captain), C. Gamble, H. D. Morton and K. Scholefield; half backs, J. H. Barney, Sugrue and F. Smith; forwards, L. Crease, A. Crease, J. K. Macrae, H. Austin, A. G. Langley, P. Wollaston, A. A. Green and F. Ward.

YACHTING.

New York, Dec. 26.—The steamship Teutonic arrived this morning with Lord Dunraven on board.

Lord Dunraven landed soon after daylight, along with his companions, Arthur Glennie and George Asquith, a noted London barrister, who acts as Lord Dunraven's legal adviser. Acting presumably on the advice of his counsel, Lord Dunraven refused positively to say more than that he was glad he had finally reached his destination after many serious accidents and delays, and that whatever he had to say about yachting would be reserved for the proper time and place.

CUP COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

New York, Dec. 24.—A report has been made by the America's cup committee to the New York club about the conditions governing the international races and their correspondence with Lord Dunraven. The important point is why the yachts were not marked at low water line when measured, and this the committee goes into fully, explaining the reasons for delay. When on the day Lord Dunraven desired a remeasurement giving as a cause for it that the Defender had been tampered with, the committee declined to act in the matter further than insuring the remeasurement ordered on the previous day to be thoroughly done. They considered the charge preposterous and the manner of making it improper, it being unaccompanied by any signed statement whatever, and inasmuch as Dunraven had neglected the recognized means of redressing such a wrong, the onus of taking up the alleged grievance did not rest upon the committee. Again, as Lord Dunraven continued the contest on September 10 the logical conclusion was that he had accepted what had been done as a fit and just disposal of his complaint against Defender.

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No less than wonderful are the cures accomplished by Hood's Sarsaparilla, even after other preparations and physician's prescriptions have failed. The reason, however, is simple. When the blood is enriched and purified, disease disappears and good health returns, and Hood's Sarsaparilla is the one true blood purifier.

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Fine Bisque Figures,

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and numerous lines of other Holiday Goods.

Former Prices Cut in Half.

See these Goods.

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is making a First-Class Suit to Order for $15; Good Pants to order, $3.50. All work guaranteed to give satisfaction. Call and inspect my goods before buying elsewhere.

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This Christmas and buy Sensible Christmas Presents.

A Gentleman appreciates nothing more than that which while it expresses kind remembrance, at the same gives comfort and a sense of luxury.

WE HAVE at considerable expense laid in a Stock of Fine.....

Suspenders, Neckwear,
Mufflers, Silk Handkerchiefs,
Gloves, Umbrellas, Etc.

Especially for the Christmas trade.
Before purchasing presents it would, at least, be prudent for you to see these goods. No trouble to show them, and no hard-feelings should you not buy at

Geo. R. Jackson's

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CANDLE BURNING CONTEST now on. No purchase necessary to take a chance. Open to everybody—FREE.

Turkeys Cannot Talk

But we can, therefore we are pleased to inform the public that a large consignment of Turkeys is expected by to-night's boat. Kindly place your orders early, so as to ensure prompt delivery.

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Gold Aluminum Ware

Silver Plated Ware — Knives, Forks, Tea Spoons, Table Spoons, Dessert Spoons, and Berry Spoons, Etc.

Tea Sets, Butter Dishes, Sugar Bowls, Jugs, Tea Pots, Cake Dishes, Fruit Dishes, Nut Dishes, Etc. Spoon Holders, Cream Pitchers, Syrup

Hand Decorated Steel China Ware — Tea Pots, Coffee Pots, Sugar Bowls, Spoon Holders, Cream Pitchers, Syrup Jugs, Toilet Sets, Etc.

This is a beautiful ware and can never break.

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YOU MAY be thinking of presenting someone with a pair of Slippers at Christmas. Will this list help you to decide.

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PATENT LEATHER,
BLACK LEATHER,
TAN LEATHER,
PLUSH, different colors, embroidered.

LADIES' IN
SATIN, all colors, beautifully embroidered with steel bead work and plain.
BATH SLIPPERS, very convenient and comfortable.
HOUSE SLIPPERS, assorted colors worsted.
WOOLLEN CROCHET SLIPPERS, many beautiful colors, very cosy.

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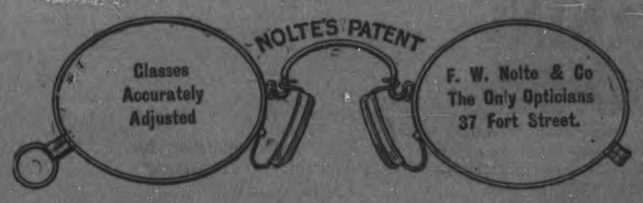

A potato tercentenary is proposed in England. In 1596 the first potato was planted in England, in Holborn, about the time that Sir Walter Raleigh was planting the first Irish potato at Youghal, near Cork. For two centuries the potato continued as that first demonstrated the value of the a botanical curiosity. When first eaten it was a delicacy, sometimes roasted and steeped in sack, or baked with marrow and spices or preserved and candied. When Parmentier developed the plant in France Louis XVI. and Mary Antionette wore the flowres as ornaments. Frederick the Great had to force the Pomeranian farmers to plant the potato by the fear of his soldiers. It was the famine of 1771-2 in Germany first demonstrated the value of the tubers.

There are many forms of nervous debility in men that yield to the use of Carter's Iron Pills. Those who are troubled with nervous weakness, night sweats, etc., should try them.

Opposition meeting to-night at Victoria Theatre. Colonel Prior invited to attend.

—Read Gilmore & McCandless' overcoat talk.

"Remember that politeness always pays, my boy," said the benevolent old man to the bootblack.

"Mebbe," replied the practical boy, "but I'd rather have a nickel than a 'thanke ye,' for blacking shoes."

—Want!—Of course you want something for Christmas. Something useful; one of those mantel clocks in walnut or oak, eight-day, strike hours and half hours on a cathedral gong, sent home and set running and guaranteed for five years, $4, at S. A. Stoddart's, 68 Yates street.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.
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—Men's Mackintosh coats $12. Gilmore & McCandless.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Gleanings of City and Provincial News in a Condensed Form.

—See the prize puzzle in the window at Shore's Hardware, 57 Johnson St. *

—Almost nothing—Nickel alarm clocks for 70 cents at S. A. Stoddart's, 68 Yates street. *

—P. S. Bartlett Waltham watches in dust-proof stem-wind cases, $10.50, at S. A. Stoddart's, 68 Yates street. *

—The sale of watches, clocks and jewelry is not postponed, but is always running at S. A. Stoddart's, 68 Yates street. *

—By using Hall's Hair Renewer, gray, faded, or discolored hair assumes the natural color of youth, and grows luxuriant and strong, pleasing everybody.

—A meeting of Victoria lodge No. 1, A. O. U. W., will take place on Saturday, 28th inst., at 8 p.m., at the hall, to receive dues and assessments.

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—Georgie Douglas, the woman who was shot by young Farrell, is improving under the careful treatment she is receiving at the Jubilee Hospital.

—West Wellington coal is now on the market. A yard has been opened at Rock Bay, north end of Rock Bay bridge, where orders may be sent, or to the central office, Munn, Holland & Co.

—As a rule the police are rather lenient at this time of the year, but yesterday they had reluctantly to arrest a drunk, who was causing a disturbance. This morning the culprit was fined $5.

—A meeting of the Victoria District Dairying Association will be held in the school house, Royal Oak on Saturday, December 28th, commencing at 1 o'clock p.m. All those interested in the creamery project are invited to attend.

—Dr. R. L. Fraser completed his evidence to-day at the preliminary hearing of Dr. J. K. Garrow and Henry Crèech. C. E. Jones, the druggist, also gave evidence and Detective Perdue followed. He is still on the stand.

—The following Victoria passengers, per Walla Walla, sailed this morning from San Francisco: Mrs. W. H. Kinnon and daughter, Mrs. A. R. Cuthbert, R. Jones and wife, Mrs Ahearn, Mrs. Bartlett, Dr. Stimpson and wife, Miss Arthur, Miss McAllister, Jas. Cuthbert, J. A. Macfarlane, wife and three children.

—St. Paul's Presbyterian church Sunday school will hold its annual Christmas tree entertainment in Semple's hall, Victoria West, this evening. An excellent programme has been prepared by the Sunday school children and others. To-morrow evening the Victoria West Methodist Sunday school will hold their entertainment in the same hall.

—Married, at the Chinese Rescue Home on the evening of the 24th inst., by the Rev. Solomon Cleaver, B. A., of the Metropolitan Methodist church, assisted by the Rev. Chan Sing Kai, pastor of the Chinese Mission church, Victoria, Mr. L. R. Sam and Miss Laura Wong, both of this city. The groom was well dressed in the costume peculiar to the Chinese race, while the bride was attired in a silk robe of variegated colors and of a quality worthy of the important occasion. Quite a large gathering of friends were present to witness the ceremony, and at the close, the wedded couple, who seemed very much pleased with each other, received the hearty congratulations of the assembled friends. Cake and tea were then passed around. Mr. and Mrs. Sam are the eighteenth couple married from the Home, all of whom are comfortably settled and in the enjoyment of the blessings of Christian citizenship. This speaks well for the work of the Home and affords a strong claim for the continued support and sympathy on the part of the Christian people of this city and province at large. Every one of the 18 women thus settled in peaceful and reputable homes of their own, have been won from a state of slavery to which death itself would have been infinitely preferable.—Com.

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TO-NIGHT'S BIG MEETING.

William Templeman To Address the Electors at the Theatre To-Night.

The Victoria theatre will no doubt be crowded at to-night's public meeting, when the first big gun in the present campaign will be fired.

William Templeman, the opposition candidate, will explain his position fairly and squarely on the issues of the day, and there will be addresses by a number of other well known speakers.

Col. Prior has been invited to be present, and, should he accept the invitation, will be allowed an equal length of time with Mr. Templeman.

All who desire full and complete information on those matters of interest to the electors at this time should be present at to-night's meeting.

Hon. A. N. Richards will occupy the chair.

CEDAR HILL MEETING.

A Specimen of the Dirty Work of which a Colonist Attache is Capable.

The tall, slender man at the front of the meeting is a portion of the plant taken over by the Colonist from the Daily News, deceased, late of Government street, Victoria, and, apart from the "new" dress in which the Colonist now appears, is the only article of that plant which has been made of service. From a long apprenticeship on the Tory press at Ottawa, he has become an expert in dirty work for his party, as the effusion filling the place of a report of the Cedar Hill meeting shows, it being a compilation of twisted argument and misrepresentated facts. His "pointer from history," in Wednesday's Colonist is a very small instance, the author of the "pointer" about boodlers to Col. Prior (who was badly hit by it) coming from a good Grit elector and a resident of Cedar Hill. This elector badly badgered the Colonel throughout the meeting with some too pointed "pointers" to be pleasant to that gallant officer, but his shots were judiciously suppressed, along with the account of the pitiable defense and capitulation of both the Colonel and his legal champion to the sharp shooting of Mr. Munn—as well as other matters which stuck in the crop of the Colonist's delectable emissary.

CIVIC CANDIDATES.

At Least Three Candidates for Mayor and Many for Aldermen.

Mayor Teague, Hon. Robert Beaven and Ald. McLellan have announced themselves as candidates for mayor. Both Mayor Teague and Mr. Beaven have served the city two terms, and Ald. McLellan has at different times been a member of the city council. Mr. R. T. Williams, who was spoken of as a candidate, is non-committal. He will not say that he will not run. He is just as indifferent as to his candidature for alderman in centre ward.

As usual there will be any number of candidates for aldermen. Ald. Macmillan and Bragg will both be candidates in north ward, and Mr. William Marchant is also coming out. He at first intended to run in centre ward, but strong pressure was brought to bear upon him by his friends in north ward.

Ald. Humphrey and Partridge are again seeking election in centre ward, and no doubt will have plenty of opposition.

Ald. Hall will come out again in the South Ward. Ald. Cameron has not yet made up his mind, and although Ald. Wilson could not be seen it is understood that he also is undecided.

MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE.

Mrs. Herbert, of Lampson Street, Has Been Missing Since Tuesday.

Mrs. Estelle Herbert, a widow, who has been a resident of Victoria for several months, is missing. She left the residence of Mr. Robert Fisher, at the corner of Craigflower road and Lampson street, on Tuesday afternoon, and said she was going to the residence of Mr. Ker, the assistant manager of the Bank of British Columbia, by whom she had been engaged as nurse for his family. She did not arrive at Mr. Ker's residence, which is half a mile from Mr. Fisher's, and this morning Mr. Ker called to make enquiries as to why she had not kept her engagement. It was then that her disappearance was discovered and a diligent search was instituted, the assistance of the provincial police being called in. So far nothing has been learned.

Mr. Fisher says Mrs. Herbert had nothing to trouble her, and always appeared to be in the best of spirits. She lost her husband about a year ago when in Indiana, and moved with her two children to Hamilton, Ont., where she lived with Mr. Sanford. When she first came here and went to live with Mr. Fisher she seemed to have an idea that she was unable to look after her children, a boy of 15 and a girl 11 years old. Mr. Fisher consequently adopted them. It seems hardly possible that the woman could have committed suicide. She had no trouble and had just secured a good position. Mrs. Herbert is a native of Scotland, aged about 40 years.

—On Friday evening next, William Templeman, the opposition candidate, and other well known speakers, will address the electors on the issues of the present campaign at Johns' Bros., hall, corner of King's road and Douglas street. Hon. A. N. Richards will occupy the chair and Col. Prior is invited to be present.

Christmas Fruits.

Valencia raisins and currents just arrived from the east; cheap and thoroughly clean, at Johns Bros., 259 Douglas street.

—You want my prices on watches. I have them at $2.50, but they are not my best. I have better that are guaranteed, tested and regulated, stem-wind and set, water and dust proof, $5, at S. A. Stoddart's, 68 Yates street.

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New Cooking Raisins, **5c. per lb.**

New Cleaned Currants. 3 lb for 25c.
New Sultana, Valencia and Cluster Raisins.
New Citron, Lemon and Orange Peel, 20c. lb.
Best Pastry Flour, $1 per Sack; Granulated Sugar, 21 lbs for $1.
Another lot of Canned Haddies.
Shredded Codfish to make nice fish cakes for breakfast, at 10 cents per package.

Hardress Clarke, Cor. Yates and Douglas Sts.

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XMAS. XMAS. XMAS.

Ladies' Motto Handkerchiefs, 5c. each.
Ladies' Colored Hemstitch Handkerchiefs, 5c. each.
Ladies' Lace Handkerchiefs from 15c.
Ladies' and Children's Handkerchiefs, in fancy boxes, from 10c. to $1.25 per box.
Ladies' Embroidered Cambric Handkerchiefs from 10c. each.
Ladies' Embroidered Silk Handkerchiefs from 10c. each.
Ladies' and Gents' Inital Handkerchiefs.

Gentlemen's	Colored	Brocaded	Silk	Handkerchiefs,	reduced	from	$1.75 to $1.25
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"	"	"	"	"	"	"	25c. to 20c.

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Ladies' Lined Kid Gloves, deep fur top, $1.00 a pair.
White Table Linens from 35c. a yard.
A good assortment of Plain and Fringed Napkins.
Children's White Fur Boas, 35c. each.
A well assorted stock of Ladies' and Gents' Umbrellas from 50c. each.
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Crochet Silk, The Peerless, 25c. a spool.
Crochet Silk, The Daisy, 10c. a spool.

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—The usual Christmas dinner was given to all the patients who were able to partake of it at the Jubilee Hospital yesterday. Directors Davies and Wilson were present and spoke words of encouragement to the officers and staff for their good work during the year. They also congratulated the patients for being able to partake of the good cheer. The Arion club, under Conductor W. Greig, gave a concert in the surgical ward. All the patients that could be moved were brought in to listen to the delightful music. Many of the friends of the patients and others were present. A vote of thanks to the Arion club was proposed by Mr. Justice Crease and carried unanimously. Mr. Wollaston responded on behalf of the club.

—Christmas comes on Wednesday, Dec. 25. If you are liable to forget it, buy a calendar clock for $1.50 at S. A. Stoddart's, 68 Yates street. *

Opposition meeting to-night at Victoria Theatre. Colonel Prior invited to attend.

—Xmas gifts, wedding presents, New Year's gifts, at Weiler Bros.; the best and largest stock in the city to choose from.

—Gilmore & McCandless quote some attractive prices in men's clothing. *

—Come and see the wire jewelry, made while you wait. Brooches, bracelets, watch chains, pins and goods of all descriptions at 68 Yates street. *

—Good digestion means good appetite, but what's the use without good teeth—Use Odoroma for your teeth; it not only prevents decay, but preserves them permanently.

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For the Holidays.

A choice line of new and fashionable neckwear just received from New York; Bows, Knots, Four-in-Hands and the new De Joinville scarf. W. N. Carmichael, Gentlemen's Furnisher, Yates Street. *

—A present—I am selling watches, clocks and jewelry at cost and making you a present of the profits. The reason why does not concern you; come and see the prices at S. A. Stoddart's, 68 Yates street. *

—A good gift, shaving sets (our own fitting), guaranteed satisfactory, at Fox's, 78 Government street. *

Keep the Boys Warm

There is more than one way to warm the boys, just one way to keep them warm, buy them good, warm clothing.

Boys' Overcoa only $2 each.

Heavy Grey tweed, long cape, well lined, range in size from six to ten years.

Christmas Presents Free.

All children accompanied by their parents will be presented with an interesting toy free while the supply lasts, come early and ask for a Christmas present.

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Don't forget to see our stock before purchasing.

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If you have not made Mincemeat, try the

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Christmas Christmas Christmas

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At the Manchester House!

Have you seen the Log House, the Snow Man, the Skating Pond and the Young Folks enjoying themselves? A real Winter Scene on exhibition in the Store Window. Bring out the Little Ones and they will enjoy it.

Great Reduction in Dolls.

During this week, having received orders from consignors to close out the dolls at Cost.

WE HAVE REMARKED THEM.
COME AND SEE.
WE WILL SURPRISE YOU.

Handkerchiefs, Handkerchiefs!

Just arrived another consignment of those beautiful goods from Japan.

Silk Handkerchiefs from 10c.

A line of hemstitch Handkerchiefs at 25c. each. A line of Honiton lace trimmed Handkerchiefs at 35c. each. White Cambric Hemstitch Handkerchiefs at 50c. per doz. White Cambric hemstitch Handkerchiefs at 25c. per doz. Colored border hemstitch Handkerchiefs at 25c per doz.

A lot of fancy boxed Handkerchiefs from 15c. to $1.50 per box.

Gloves, Gloves, Gloves!

Kid Gloves, 5 hook lacing, 70c. per pair.
Kid Gloves, 7 hook lacing, 90c. per pair.
Best lacing Gloves; 7 hook or Dome fastenings, $1.15 per pair.
Fur trimmed Gloves, with patent fastenings, still at reduced price, $1.15 per pair.
We are sole agents for these Gloves.

A suitable present for a lady would be a Greenland Seal Cape, a Mink Ruff for the neck, or a beautiful Rain-Coat.

Yes, we have Umbrellas, beauties, all prices, from 60c. to $12.00. These are good and useful presents.

Just arrived a line of Misses Golf Waists, which will be sold at $1.65 each.

A lot of Fancy Goods, consisting of Photo Frames, Fancy Baskets, Pin Trays, Glove and Handkerchief Sets, Work Baskets, etc. These goods were late coming in, therefore, we will sell them very cheap to clear out.

Manchester House, 88 Yates St. T. Haughton & Co.

A TRICK ON VANDERBILT.

How Mr. Brice Managed to Sell the Nickle Plate Railway.

The present Senator Brice's greatest play was building the Nickle Plate. He put in every dollar he could get, and from any source. There came a time, too, when to save himself from utter ruin, if not something worse, he had to sell. He went to Vanderbilt, whose road the Nickle Plate paralleled. Vanderbilt wouldn't buy the Nickle Plate. He said he could afford to wait the first mortgage foreclosure and buy it from a sheriff.

"If you don't buy it, Jay Gould will," said Brice.

"Oh, no he won't," said Vanderbilt.

Brice then went to Gould. He knew that he didn't want the Nickle Plate, but he had a beautiful scheme to propose. He knew Vanderbilt would buy the road before he would allow Gould to get in. Here came Brice's strategy. He told Gould that if he would sit silent and not contradict, neither affirm nor deny, any newspaper articles to the effect that he was going to buy the Nickle Plate, and after this clam-like silence had continued for a week, if he would then ride slowly over the Nickle Plate in an observation car, Vanderbilt would buy the road, and he would give Gould $500,000.

Gould didn't care for the $500,000, but he was a jocose speculator and it struck him that the whole thing would be a majestic joke on Vanderbilt. The papers said that Gould was going to buy the Nickle Plate. Gould, when questioned, looked wise. At the end of a week he meandered, snail-life over the Nickle Plate in the rear end of an observation car, and had all the air of a man who was looking at a piece of property. Stories were wired about Gould's trip from every water tank and way station along the line, and before Gould had reached Chicago, Vanderbilt, in a fit of hysterics, wired Brice that he would take the Nickle Plate. Vanderbilt took the Nickle Plate and Brice was saved.

NO FALSE DELUGE.

Living Picture Models Were Only for a Slight Shower.

There was a dress rehearsal of Kilanyi's "Glyptorama" at Koster & Bial's yesterday afternoon.

But yesterday's private exhibition was remarkable in other ways than for artistic merit. The posing was all that could be desired. So was the scenery. So was the manipulation of lights and drapery, but they did not fit. It was the first time they had been tried together. The cues were all wrong, and the result superbly funny, Michael Angelo's studio, with an excellent reproduction of the statue of Moses, was still in the foreground when the scene had raced on to represent the steps of Pharoah's palace when the great lawgiver was being discovered in the bullrushes by the potentate's daughter.

And when, with gorgeous dress and posing, the next foreground showed him being found as an infant, the background shower a watery desert, with the pyramids in the distance, which made everybody present snicker with recollections of "The Wizard of the Nile."

It was, however, when the big and beautiful scene came on that Johnnie came to the fore. This person had charge of the gauze curtain which helps to give the illusion of the smoke of the field of carnage. Johnnie did his best, but before he got the gauze scene across, the background had faded into an Alpine scene, and the posers were punching holes in the paper rocks in which to get a firm foothold, and one wounded man was explaining to Mr. Bial why he happened to be on the wrong side of the picture. 'I couldn't get me duds on in time, so I tho't I'd drop down here, see? And Mr. Bial didn't attempt to answer but rang up the next.

John was in evidence again when the last two pictures appeared. In both a shapely young woman in skin fitting tights, lies about in odd attitudes on queer rocks, backed by a stormy sea. John had got his gear into working order by this time, and he worked it.

"Stop that gauze!" shouted the stage manager.

"I can't," came the reply from the clouds. "I've got to work the thing faster the blamed thing won't go."

The real amusement came during the exposure of the last picture. It is called, "The Deluge." Youthful John had charge of a device by which a realistic downpour of water appears inside the frame and in front of the figures. All these figures, ten in number, were clad in modesty and skin tights. One young woman with auburn hair and a figure of a Juno had just objected to the attitude she had been compelled to assume. She said the points of the rock made it impossible for her to sit still, and some of the paint on another rock came off on her hand.

Then John, Jr., pulled the string. He had been instructed to start the flow gently. He made it a real deluge. He just pulled for all he was worth and down came a shower of cold water all over the figures. The auburn girl howled 'Ouch!" and landed on the stage. A little blonde on the left jumped up and wrapped a green skirt on which she had been reclining about her otherwise unincumbered form. There were cries of feminine anguish for a second, a multitudinous flash of pink fleshings and an empty frame, except for the background.

By the time John had been called names in seven different languages he concluded to cut off the shower.—New York Advertiser.

—"Odoroma" imparts beauty to the teeth, fragrance to the breath and health to the gums.

HONEST HELP.

Thousands of men are suffering because they lack the courage to make known their early errors and to endeavor to remedy them. Nervous weakness, loss of manhood and the many ills due to early indiscretions, excesses or overwork can be quickly, successfully and permanently cured, if you will only let the right people know what ails you. Write to me in confidence and I will tell you, free of charge, how to get cured. I have nothing to sell, but am desirous of honestly helping you. Perfect secrecy assured. Describe your case and address with stamp:—L. A. Edwards, P. O. Box 55, Jarvis, Ont. *

—An appropriate Xmas present, carving sets and table cutlery (Sheffield make) at Fox's, 78 Government street. *

AN OBSCURE LITTERATEUR.

The Income Made by a Writer of "Blood- and Thunder" Stories.

The Philadelphia Press says: It seems odd that a man could make $12,000 a year in New York by writing fiction, die, and remain as utterly unknown as if he never existed. Arthur Elder Nelson was such a man. He did not get even a three-line obituary in any newspaper. His dealings were mostly with two huge New York concerns devoted exclusively to the manufacture of dime and half-dime novels, and his specialty was the fiction that deals with boy pirates, boy highwaymen, boy robbers, and other equally interesting juveniles. He started six years ago, when he was 25. Educated and refined (he was an Oxford man), he came to America shortly after attaining his majority. His first court in the line of blood-and-thunder narrative was made during his leisure as a drug clerk. The success of his production encouraged him to persevere, and for the past two years he has worked steadily. His publishers say that his own share of the profits of his pen last year was $12,000, and he lived pretty well up to his income. He spoke four languages, and his wide reading and ripe scholarship enabled him to wander at will in the highways of literature, plundering wherever he saw an opportunity. Thus his works were, as a rule, mere plagiarisms, brought down to the level of his readers. He never aspired to anything higher. Certainly if he had wished to be a serious writer his income could never have exceeded, say, $3500 a year, even had he attained great vogue. As it was he kept a horse and carriage, and enjoyed life like a spablte, betug unmarried and uncontrolled. And not even his thousands of admirers scattered through the school rooms, district telegraph offices, and street corners of the United States had any idea of his personality.

But it is to be hoped that no one will try to follow his example, for it would be far better to live in poverty than to grow rich writing books that are harmful to the people who read them.

TWO WITNESSES FROM WINDSOR.

James Sherwood and C. J. Curtis Cured of Nervousness and Indigestion by the Use of South American Nervine—A Remedy that Cures Old and Young, Men and Women of Some of the Most Serious Maladies of Life.

The secret of the wonderful curative powers embodied in South American Nervine is found in the fact that it cures at the nerve centres. From these flow the life blood that gives health, strength and effort to men and women. When these are deranged disease naturally and quickly follows. Thus it is that thousands of witnesses in all parts of Canada, some who have reached threescore and ten, others in middle age, and again those who are mere children, tell how this medicine has cured them of indigestion, nervousness, general debility, derangement of the liver and like troubles.

To particularize: Mr. James Sherwood, of Windsor, Ont., has reached more than three score years and ten. He suffered terribly from nervous troubles and indigestion of a very complicated character. It looked as though he could not be cured, his age seemingly being a barrier. But he was recommended to try South American Nervine, and did so. Of the result he says: "I consider it a splendid medicine, which has relieved me of much pain, built up my health, and has given me a much better appetite than I had before using it. I have so far used four bottles and still always keep it in my house."

Another witness from Windsor is Mr. C. J. Curtis, one of the wealthy yeomen of that district. He suffered from a general break up of the system, an outcome of la grippe. Almost everything was tried, but with no effect. As a last resort South American Nervine was recommended, and of its results he says: "After taking one bottle I found very great benefit from it, my appetite improved wonderfully, and I felt my strength returning very fast. I purchased five bottles, but after taking only three out of the five I am feeling as nearly well to-day as I ever did, and I can attribute my restoration to health and strength solely to South American Nervine."

With medicine as with doctors, there is a good deal that has to be taken on experiment. But in South American Nervine no chances are taken. The language is none too strong, that it is an infallible and certain cure, particularly for indigestion and nervous troubles. For sale by Dean & Cryderman and Hall & Co.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

In the Supreme Court of British Columbia

In the matter of the Companies Act 1862, and in the matter of the Victoria Jockey Club, Limited Liability.

Notice is hereby given that a petition for the winding up of the above company by the Supreme Court of British Columbia was on the 23rd. day of December, A. D., 1895, presented to the Honorable the Supreme Court of British Columbia by Robert Beaven and James Stuart Yates as trustees of the estate of Green, Worlock & Company, who are creditors of the said company and that the said petition is directed to be heard before the Honorable Mr. Justice Drake on the 7th day of January, 1896, at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon, and that in the event of an order being made for the winding up of the said company, that application will be made for the appointment of George Shedden, of the city of Victoria, accountant, as liquidator, and any creditor or contributor desirous to oppose the making of an order for the winding up of the said company under this act, should appear at the time of hearing by himself or by his counsel for that purpose, and a copy of the petition will be furnished to any creditor or contributor of the said company requiring the same by the undersigned on payment of the regulated charge for same.

Dated this 23rd. day of December, A. D., 1895.

RODWELL & IRVING,
No. 2 Broughton street, Victoria, B. C.
Solicitors for Petitioners.

Land Registry Act.

Part (30 acres) of Section 14, Range VI., East, and of Section 14, Range 5, East, South Saanich District.

Whereas the Certificate of Title of Richard James Smith to the above hereditaments, bearing date the 26th June, 1891, has been lost and application has been made for a duplicate of such certificate.

Notice is hereby given that such duplicate will be issued unless cause be shown to the contrary, in writing within one month from the date hereof.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Deputy Registrar General.
Land Registry Office,
Victoria, November 27th, 1895.

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Price $1.00
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HAIR FOOD.
NO DYE.
We feed the Hair that which it lacks and nature restores the color.

CURES BALDNESS, STOPS FALLING HAIR, CURES DANDRUFF, RESTORES FADED AND GRAY HAIR TO NATURAL COLOR AND VITALITY. PERFECTLY HARMLESS. WARRANTED. CLEAR AS WATER. NO SEDIMENT. NO LEAD, SULPHUR OR CHEMICALS

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SS. "MOUNT LEBANON," capacity about 4,000 tons, due about 5th Dec., will proceed to Honolulu.
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The S.S. TRANSIT, Capt. Berg, will leave Seattle on 12th December, for Central American ports.
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Anchor Line, Ethiopia	Jan. 11
Anchor Line, Furnessia	Jan. 25
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Taking effect June 21st, 1895.

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Vancouver to Victoria daily, except Monday, at 13:15 o'clock, or on arrival of C.P.R. No. 1 train.

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Leave Victoria for New Westminster, Lanner's Landing and Lulu Island, Sunday at 23 o'clock, Wednesday and Friday at 7 o'clock. (Sunday's steamer to New Westminster connects with C.P.R. train No. 2 going east Monday).
For Plumper Pass Wednesday and Friday at 7 o'clock.
For Pender and Moresby Islands, Friday at 7 o'clock.
Leave New Westminster for Victoria, Monday at 13:15 o'clock; Thursday and Saturday at 7 o'clock.
For Plumper Pass Thursday and Saturday at 7 o'clock.
For Pender Island and Moresby Island Thursday at 7 o'clock.

NORTHERN ROUTE.

Steamships of this Co. will leave for Pt. Simpson and intermediate ports via Vancouver the first and 15th of each month at 8 o'clock p.m. When sufficient inducements offer will extend trips to West Coast points and Queen Charlotte Islands.

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Steamer Maude leaves Victoria for Alberni and Sound ports on the 10th, 20th and 30th of each month.
The company reserves the right of changing this time table at any time without notification.

JOHN IRVING, Manager.
G. A. CARLETON, General Agent.

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TIME TABLE NO. 25.
To Take Effect at 8:00 a. m. on Monday, October 28th, 1895.
Trains run on Pacific Standard Time.

GOING NORTH.

	Daily	Sat'dy
Lv. Victoria for Nanaimo and Wellington	A. M. 8.00	P. M. 3 20
Ar. Nanaimo	11.40	6.28
Ar. Wellington	12.00	6 55

GOING SOUTH.

	Daily	Sat'dy
Lv. Wellington for Victoria	A. M. 8 20	P. M. 3 20
Lv. Nanaimo for Victoria	8 40	3 45
Ar. Victoria	12.20	7 00

For rates and information apply at the Company's offices.
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WEDNESDAYS—Same as Monday.
THURSDAYS.—Leaves Sidney on arrival of morning train, for Nanaimo via Ganges Harbor and way ports.
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BRITISH COLUMBIA.

NORTH SALT SPRING ISLAND

(From our own correspondent.)

North Salt Spring, Dec. 23.—The semi-annual examination of the North Vesuvius public school was held last week, the results attained being very satisfactory, and all expressing themselves well pleased with the progress which the children are evidently making. There are at present 25 children enrolled at the school, and the attendance is very good, the average for December being 23.26. Among those present at the examination were: Mr. and Mrs. Booth, Mr. and Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Rosman, Mrs. Cotsford, Mrs. Whims, Mrs. Sampson, Mrs. McFadden and Mr. E. Lakin. On the evening of Friday the 20th instant a Christmas tree was held in the school house, and the sight of the numerous presents which were hung thereon caused many a happy smile to pass over the faces of the little ones. The school house was very prettily decorated during the day, and with a number of Chinese lanterns which were lighted and hung about, the place presented quite a cheerful aspect. The Rev. Mr. Wilson took the chair and after delivering a very interesting address to those present, the programme of songs, recitations, dialogues, etc., was commenced. A large number of the children took part in the programme and acquitted themselves in a very creditable manner. The programme consisted of the following: Recitation, Mary E. Rule; recitation, Martha C. Rule; song, six girls of the school; recitation, George Booth; recitation, Mary McFadden; song, Rose, Bertha and Martha Whims; recitation, Lily Sampson; recitation, Charles Luckey; recitation, James Richards; song, Lily and May Sampson and Mary McFadden; recitation, Bertha Whims; recitation, Wilkie Richards; recitation, May Richards; song, "Good Night," by the school; song, Mr. Irwin; reading, Mr. Robertson; song, Mr. and Mrs. McFadden and Mrs. Cotsford; reading, Mr. Booth; song, Mrs. McFadden and Mrs. Cotsford; reading, Mrs. Mahaffey; dialogue, "A Scene in a Railway Station;" reading, Miss Furness; recitation, Mr. Wharnock; song, Mr. G. Bittancourt; recitation, Mr. E. Rosman; song, Mr. Furness; recitation, Mr. J. Shaw; dialogue, "The Gridiron."

After the programme was ended, the Christmas tree was lighted, and Santa Claus then made his appearance, and presented the children with the pretty presents which had been hung on the tree for them.

The teacher, Miss Furness, was presented with a very handsome writing desk. Refreshments were then served from the well-filled baskets supplied by the ladies, after which the seats were removed and dancing commenced, being kept up until about 6 o'clock the following morning. ALPHA.

MAYNE ISLAND.

(From our own correspondent.)

On Friday, December 20th, Mr. Jas. W. Sinclair, teacher of Mayne Island school, held his annual entertainment in the school house. The hall had been very prettily decorated for the occasion, and no trouble was spared to give all visitors a gracious and hearty welcome. The programme prepared by Mr. Sinclair was well rendered throughout and the teacher is deserving of the highest praise for the manner in which the children rendered it. Miss Carrie Cullison and the Misses Sinclair, Master Fritsy Heck are deserving of special mention for the fearless manner in which they went through their different parts. A Christmas tree had been provided loaded down with useful and pretty presents and Mr. Clapham acted the part of the ever welcome Sana Claus.

Programme.—Chrismas hymn, "Oh come, all ye faithful;" song, "School is Lu (school;" My First Recitation, Robt Trachsler; dialogue, "Preparing for a Picnic," four boys and four girls; song, "My Nellie's Blue Eyes," school; recitation, "A Little Boy's Speech," Fritsy Heck; exercise song, "Hold Right Hand up," seven little girls; dialogue, "Recess Speech," five boys and five girls; song, Miss Mary Cullison; recitation, "Guess What's in my Pocket," Gertie Yack; Shaking of Hand song, school; recitation, "What I Know About Cows," Anchew Georgeson; song, "I Don't Want to Play in your Yard," Miss Gertie Sinclair and Miss Carrie Cullison; dialogue, "The Rehearsal," three boys and four girls; song, "Sing, Sing, Sing," seven little girls; recitation, "How to Cure a Cough," Carrie Cullison; instrumental music, Mr. C. D. Worgs; dialogue, "The Bet," Andrew Georgeson and S. Robson; "song, "Little Dash," school; recitation, Mr. Dalton Deason; song, "Gather Around the Christmas Tree," school.

AINSWORTH.

Nelson Tribune.

The last contract of 200 feet on the Highland is nearly completed and the tunnel is close unto 600 feet in length. The last 50 feet has been run through a fine chute of galena ore, quite solid in places.

From Nov. 11th to Dec. 10th, one month, a profit of about $100 to the man employed was made on the No. 1. Fifty-six tons were sent to the smelter and 150 tons of concentrating ore extracted.

The Mile Point lessees have begun shipping to the Pilot Bay smelter. Their fine chute of ore still holds its own and it is the general belief they have a bonanza.

All the machinery, comprising Pelton wheel, compressor, and power drills, for the Canadian Pacific company at Woodbury creek, has arrived.

The last snow covers the ground clear down to the lake shore so that laden ore sleds can go all the way without transferring. The output of the Skyline will probably be increased materially from now on.

J. E. Boss and Jack Robertson sampled several mines of the camp during their recent visit, and have gone to Spokane, expecting to return after the holidays. It is said Mr. Boss and associates propose to build a smelter next year which will treat and save the contents of all kinds of ores.

For a couple of years rock has been found in this camp which assayed more or less in gold. Some samples go over $22 per ton. A quantity sent east for analysis was pronounced sulphide of said to be some large veins of it here manganese, or mangan blende. There are said to be some large veins of it here that have been passed over and considered worthless. As manganese is as valuable for fluxing purposes in a smelting furnace as iron, should this material prove to be manganese and carry a percentage of the noble metals, it would be quite a feature for the camp.

The three-inch pipe siphon which Clark and Van Hook rigged up to drain Loon Lake last year has been working continuously since the 16th of January last, and in that time has lowered the lake about 20 feet. This body of water is about half a mile in length by 300 feet in width. There is but a few feet of water remaining in the lake and by spring it should be practically dry. The boys are now sinking on the vein nearest the lake and are down over 20 feet without the water being troublesome. Three leads run through the Lady of the Lake ground, each one showing up well on the surface. One shipment netted $76.50 per ton.

ROSSLAND.

(Rossland Miner.)

The following notice is of great significance: "Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the province of British Columbia at its next session for an act to incorporate a company for the purpose of operating a railroad from a point at or near the mouth of Trail creek, on the Columbia river, extending through or near the towns of Rossland and Midway, to a point on the Okanagan lake at or near the town of Penticton, in the districts of West Kootenay and Osoyoos, British Columbia, with power to construct, equip, maintain and operate branch lines therefrom to all mines lying in the vicinity thereof; and also to construct, equip, maintain and operate telegraph and telephone lines; and to build wharves and docks in connection therewith; together with the powers of acquiring lands, privileges, bonuses or other aids from any government, municipal corporation or other persons or bodies, and to make traffic or other arrangements with railway, steamboat or other companies; and for all other usual, necessary or incidental rights, powers and privileges in that behalf. F. E. Ward." Mr. Ward in proposing to make application for this charter represents Mr. Heinze, who is building the smelter at Trail. This charter is to include the one for the tramway or narrow guage railroad from the mines about Rossland to the Trail smelter works, or rather it is to take its place. The details of Mr. Heinze's enterprise have not been perfected further than as they apply to the territory between Rossland and Trail. The line through this territory is already under construction and will probably be completed within sixty days. It is hardly probable that anything will be done towards the proposed extension through the Boundary creek country before spring. It is evidently Mr. Heinze's ultimate purpose to place himself in a position to secure some of the Boundary creek ores for his Trail smelter. How he expects to reach Okanagan lake, which is about 150 miles west of Rossland, is not yet quite clear.

The new compressor of the Centre Star was put in motion this week and is now in perfect running order; supplying power to three Ingersoll-Sargeant drills with reserve for four more. The greatest strength of the Centre Star consists in the extent of its ore bodies. The 500 feet of tunnel already run extend almost continuously through ore. This ore is from 13 to 20 feet wide and is in chutes of varying extent and richness. One chute is 147 feet long—one of the greatest ore bodies yet found in this wonderful camp. The grade of the Centre Star ore runs all the way from $12 to $35 in gold per ton. It will probably average $20.

GALIANO ISLAND

(From our own correspondent.)

Galiano, Dec. 23.—On Thursday, 19th inst, the Galiaono school examinations were held in the school house, by the teacher, Miss E. Crockford, in the presence of a large number of parents and friends. The children acquitted themselves most creditably and thereby showed the remarkable progress they have made under their present teacher. No pains had been spared decorating the school house to make it look as attractive as possible, hot-house plants having been procured, in Victoria and placed about the room at different intervals among the evergreens. After tea had been served, a programme, was well rendered by the scholars. In a song by three little girls little Miss Winstanley is deserving of comment on the fearless way she sang and for the expression she put in the music.

Programme:—Song of Welcome, school children; recitation, "The Figures," nine little girls; song, "Up, Up in the Sky," three little girls; song, "The Light at Home,' school children; recitation, "Trades,' six boys; recitation, "Twins," G. Rudd, chorus, "Sunbeams," school; recitation, "The Smack in School," Bessie Rudd; chorus, "The Soldier's Song," school children; dialogue, three boys and five girls; Chorus, "Gather Around the Christmas Tree, school children;

At the close of the programme Mr. J. W. Rudd, the chairman, congratulated Miss Crockford upon the way the children had acquitted themselves that evening. Trustees Winstanley and Wright having been called on to speak the former in the course of his speech stated that the school never had an attendance of twenty-three children, with an average daily atendance of twenty-two and he believed that thirty would be enrolled on the school register next term. Mr. James W. Sinclair, teacher of Mayne Island school, adressed the children with a few encouraging remarks, pointing out the absolute necessity for law and order, especially in a school. A Christmas tree had been provided with both useful and pretty presents for the children, and the proceedings closed with three hearty cheers for the teacher.

KASLO.

Nelson Tribune.

The mineral claims Larde and Duncan, on the headwaters of Hall Creek, a tributary of Duncan river, are said to have been bonded to Spokane parties for a good round sum by J. C. Wagner, J. A. Kennedy, and John McCartney. A cash payment bound the bargain.

At a mortgage sale of city realty on Tuesday last, the lot formerly occupied by the Dardanelles hotel, on the north side of Front street, in the burnt district, brought $400, and the two lots on the south side of the same street, with the building, brought $1000, O. T. Stone was the purchaser.

The owners of the Reco and Goodenough mines have amicably settled their differences in a manner which seems to be satisfactory to both parties. The boundary lines will be adjusted so as to conform to the more recent and corrected surveys.

The snow plows and flangers placed on the locomotives of the Kaslo & Slocan railway have been doing effective work during the week and trains have been running on time, notwithstanding the frequent snow storms in the hills. A new snow plow is daily expected from St. Paul.

NEW DENVER

The Ledge.

The Kalispell is reported sold for $3000 cash to Deadwood men.

H. P. Heacock, of Helena, Montana, is in British Columbia looking for investments for Montana capital. He was in the Slocan last week and took away with him cash and bonding propositions on the Tamarac, Arlington and Currie. He will return at a later date.

The force on the Currie, with the exception of one or two men, was discharged on Saturday. The property has developed into a huge concentrating proposition, and will require plenty of capital to work it profitably.

NELSON.

Nelson Miner

The Pilot Bay smelter, which had been stopped owing to a shortage of ore, has been blown in again.

Charles L. Arnold came in on Thursday from his claim on the Salmon. He and two men have been opening up the ledge, which has a most promising appearance and affords good looking samples of copper pyrites.

There is some difficulty in getting the Hall Mines tramway into good running order. First of all some of the pulleys were found to be defective owing to bad work on the part of the foundry which supplied them to the contractors. The recent cold snap has interfered with the adjustment of the tension, a most delicate matter. The result has been the capsizing of two of the towers. In ordinary weather this could be remedied in a few hours, but the same work has to be performed now in about four feet of snow which makes a very considerable difference. The tramway has shown that it will work satisfactorily, and as soon as these mechanical effects can be put straight it will be running again. Meanwhile the works at the smelter are all but complete and will be quite ready by the proposed date, 1st January.

Nelson Tribune.

Over $200,000 a month is paid out for wages in the several towns and mining camps in Southern Kootenay. In 1896 that amount will be doubled.

The Lillooet, Fraser & Cariboo Gold Fields, Limited employs sixty men in all in the province, twenty of whom are doing development work on three claims in West Kootenay. The company has a 12 month option and is prospecting five claims near Rossland, in Trail Creek district.

This week the following Slocan mines shipped ore to the smelter at Pilot Bay: Good Enough, 15 tons; American Boy, 17tons; and the Dardanelles, 45 tons.

A traffic arrangement has been made between the Great Northern railway and the Spokane & Northern and Nelson & Fort Sheppard railways, which, if for any extended time, will practically put an end to steamboat navigation on what is locally known as the Bonner's Ferry route. Heretofore steamboats from Kaslo and Nelson made close connections at Bonner's Ferry with trains on the Great Northern, and considerable traffic were handled. But it is not practicable, at least with the steamboats now in use, to navigate the Kootenay river during winter months, and the business of necessity must be handled over the Spokane & Northern and Nelson & Fort Sheppard railways, connection being made at Nelson or Five Mile Point with steamboats for points on Kootenay lake. It is not unlikely that the agreement is for a term of years, as it is intimated that passenger trains will be run daily between Spokane and Nelson in the spring. Under this arrangement, the steamboats now on Kootenay lake can handle the traffic.

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The Strathnevis Towed Into Port Townsend Yesterday by the Mineola.

Miowera Had the Disabled Steamer in Tow, but Lost Her in a Storm.

Grave Fears for the Australian Liner, Which Suddenly Disappeared.

Early yesterday afternoon two big steamers were seen to pass Race Rocks, and hugging the American shore make for the Sound. Immediately the news spread that the Strathnevis was safe, for it was easy to identify her, but not so easy to identfy the steamer that had her in tow. Shortly afterwards the City of Kingston arrived from the Sound and confirmed the good news. She had passed the Strathnevis in the straits in tow of the collier Mineola.

The steamer Miowera, of the Canadian-Australian line, had the Strathnevis in tow for five days, but lost her in a terrible storm ten miles off Cape Flattery last Sunday afternoon. Two steel hawsers broke, and the Miowera disappeared in the storm. Grave fears are entertained for the Miowera, as it seems unlikely that she would leave such a rich prize after having towed her so far and reached so near port.

Here is the story of the Strathnevis' experience as told by Capt. Pattie to the Times correspondent at Port Townsend:

Port Townsend, Wash., Dec. 26. The Northern Pacific steamship Strathnevis, which sailed past this port seventy-four days ago, bound from Tacoma from Hongkong, was towed into this port last night in a disabled condition by the collier Mineola. The safe return of the vessel was the occasion for great jollification in the bay last night at ten o'clock. Just as soon as the anchor of the Strathnevis was dropped and all felt secure after the terrible experience, the crew of the disabled marine monster flew forward and gave three cheers for the officers and crew of the Mineola. The cheer was returned from the latter and the Strathnevis's siren whistle blew out three cheerful blasts. This was replied to a moment later by the Mineola's air splitter. The Strathnevis then fired fire rockets, and for an hour expressions of goodfellowship were exchanged.

The morning after the Strathnevis left Victoria her propeller shaft, that necessary adjunct for making headway, broke off near the propeller, which went to the bottom. There was no help for the accident, and all that could be done was to make sail. This was a tiresome task. Days went by and not a sail was seen. Finally one day the bark John Gambles hove in sight, and in reply to signals, came alongside. A statement of the accident was made to her, and having no means at hand to assist, the sailing vessel crowded on all sail and made for Victoria. Here the accident was reported. At the time of the accident the Strathnevis was 1700 miles off the coast. Between the time she broke down and when the mail steamer Miowera picked her up she had drifted into within 700 miles of the coast. The Miowera gave her up she had drifted in to within 700 miles of Destruction Island, which point was reached Sunday last. That evening the hawsers parted. It was bad weather, and despite the fact that every effort was made it was impossible to pick the Strathnevis up again. The Miowera stod by all night but the next morning disappeared. The sudden disappearance of the Miowera, in view of the dangerous proximity of the shore to the disabled vessel, leaves no conclusion but that she herself met with an accident. It is not thought that she would desert her prize after the long tow successfully made with her. At Destruction Island the second mate and three men were sent ashore in a boat, just before the Mineola hove in sight. They were to telegraph for help, and they are still at the light house. The Mineola beat the Costa Rica in the race for the prize by five minutes. While nothing has yet been done, it is expected that at least $50,000 will be the salvage received by the Mineola and her owners.

It is a conspicuous fact, proving the seaworthiness of the Strathnevis, that despite her disabled condition in the westerly and southwesterly gales which prevailed all the time she was out, she shipped but one sea. Only one fatality occurred during the entire term of the terrible voyabe. That was the death of a Japanese formerly in the restaurant business in Tacoma. He was going home to die, but expired en route, and was buried at sea.

The stories about a scarcity of bread and rice and riots among the Japanese and Chinese passengers are untrue. As soon as the larder was emptied the steward drew on the cargo, and had the vessel been out a year no one need have gone hungry. There were two hundred souls at the mercy of the elements for seventy-four days on the Strathnevis. Of these 134 were Chinese, 34 Japanese and the remainder, 30, were white men, comprising the crew. She was commanded by Capt. Pattie.

On Monday last all hope of saving the vessel was abandoned. The boats were manned preparatory to leaving the vessel as she was in imminent danger of drifting ashore on Destruction Island. Finally she reached safe anchorage, and had her anchors down when picked up.

One of the most interesting features in connection with the return of the ship is the vast amount of money to be made by the insurance men who had the courage to take risks on her.

HELD UP THE CAR

Four Masked Men Rob a Trolly Car in San Francisco Suburbs.

Got Three Thousand Dollars for a Christmas Box, but Had to Fight for It.

San Francisco, Dec. 26.—Four masked men, armed with rifles, held up the Mission street trolley car from Ingleside, at 8 o'clock last night and robbed two employes of the Pacific Coast Jockey club of $3,000.

Reuben M. Clark, who carried the pouch, was shot in the leg. John Brenner, an employe of the jockey club and Policeman John Josephs received bullet wounds, neither of which is serious. Clark will lose his leg if not his life.

The robbery occurred in a lonely place eight miles from the city. The Ingleside track is situated in an isolated place on Ocean beach and afforded an excellent opportunity for the crime. The car had just started when the four men, heavily masked, each armed with a Winchester, jumped on the rear platform. Clark, who had the pouch containing the money on his lap, was at once approached by the tallest of the robbers, who with an oath, demanded the money. A shot was fired at the same time to stop the car. Clark arose from his seat, but, before he could advance a step, he was shot in the leg.

Brenner grabbed the pouch and ran from the car closely followed by the robbers. Once outside, he was about to throw the pouch under the car when a Winchester was thrust in his face and one of the robbers called on him to drop back. Brenner declares that one of the other robbers shot him in the arm that held the pouch. At the same time one of the robbers struck him with the butt of a revolver. As the bullet crashed through Brenner's arm, he dropped, and the robber who first approached Clark picked up the pouch and started to run. Two shots were immediately fired by Clark and Brenner, neither of which took effect. To protect themselves the robbers grabbed a woman named Mrs. Peck, and holding her as a shield, retreated in the darkness. As the men disappeared, Clark and Brenner fired again and a dozen shots were returned by the robbers. Policeman Josephs, who heard the shots, ran to the scene in time to receive a bullet in the leg. Although the robbery did not occupy over five minutes, nearly fifteen shots were fired. No attempt was made to molest the other pasengers, who were too terrified to move.

The Ingleside track was opened Thanksgiving day. The robbers had good sources of information; they not only ascertained the route by which Clark and Brenner were to travel, but selected the day when the receipts were larger than usual. The Pacific Coast Jockey club, it is said, will offer a reward for the capture of the robbers. As the men were heavily masked, the police have no clue.

None But Ayer's at the World's Fair.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla enjoys the extraordinary distinction of having been the only blood purifier allowed on exhibit at the World's Fair, Chicago. Manufacturers of other sarsaparillas sought by every means to obtain a showing of their goods, but they were all turned away under the application of the rule forbidding the entry of patent medicines and nostrums. The decision of the World's Fair authorities in favor of Ayer's Sarsaparilla was in effect as follows: Ayer's Sarsaparilla is not a patent medicine. It does not belong to the list of nostrums. It is here on its merits."

Opposition meeting to-night at Victoria Theatre. Colonel Prior invited to attend.

The campaign in Chitral showed England that, in spite of its carrying power, the new Lee-Metford magazine rifle was not effective in checking the onset of an attaking force, as the wounds inflicted by the projectiles in many cases did not disable the men even temporarily. The battalion sent to Ashantee, though trained to use the Lee-Metford gun, has been equipped with the Martini-Henri rifle, which is now believed to be the better at short range, and will have to learn how to use it as though it were a new weapon. Another innovation is learned from the French-Madagascar expedition. Instead of sending out one of the regular battalions of the army, a composite battalion has been formed, made up of small detachments of volunteers or of drafted men from several regiments. Another lesson has been learned form Madagascar, as no fewer than twenty-two doctors accompanied the small force.

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KINGSTON CUTS RATE

Edith Has Been Withdrawn, but the Kingston Will Continue the Fight.

Islander Will Go Into the Dry Dock as Soon as the Quadra Comes Out.

Dublin, Dec. 2.—The second life boat which attempted to put off to the three masted vessel, flying signals of distress in Kingstown bay, finding it impossible to board the ship, returned to the shore with the greatest difficulty, the bottom of the boat being stove in. The coxswain did not see any one on board the ship. Whether the first life boat took off the crew before capsizing is not known. The name of the vessel is also unknown. It is now known that nineteen of the Moresby's crew perished, including the captain, his wife and son, and all of the officers. The captain, with his son strapped to his back, made a gallant attempt to swim ashore while the mate swam with the captain's wife strapped to his back. A large steamer is ashore at Dundalk bay. A life boat has gone to her assistance.

The steamer Edith has been withdrawn from the Seattle route on account of necessary repairs, and no boat will replace her. The Edith had been laid up for a long while and should have been more thoroughly overhauled before being brought out. The charter for the Schome has run out. But the company do not intend altogether to give up the fight against the Rosalie. They have lowered the rates on the Kingston, not quite as low as those on the Rosalie, but low enough, they think, considering the difference in the boats, to command a fair share of the travel. The rates on the Kingston will hereafter be [illegible] cents to Port Townsend, [illegible].25 to Seattle and $1.75 to Tacoma.

The old barkentine Wrestler got in from Hiogo, Japan, yesterday after a very quick passage of 24 days. She brings a cargo of tea, which will get quick dispatch. She is consigned to Mohns & Kalterbach. The Wrestler was well known in San Francisco several years ago. She was built by W. G. Hall sixteen years ago and was at first commanded by Captain Schnaurr, late of the ship John Ena. Two years ago she went ashore on Vancouver Island and the wreck was sold for $950. She was purchased by some British Columbia capitalists, repaired and placed under the Nicaraguan flag and is now one of the smartest looking barkentines afloat to-day.—S. F. Call.

Capt. Foster brought the steamer Islander into the inner harbor on Tuesday afternoon, where she will probably remain until the Quadra leaves the dry dock. She will be placed in the dock and an examination made to determine the extent of her damages. It is not likely that she will be repaired for some time as the company has no immediate use for her. The pumps are still working, but by to-night temporary repairs will be completed so that it will be no longer necessary to use the pumps.

Yokohama, Dec. 26.—The cruiser Kwan Ping, one of the warships captured from China by the Japanese in the recent war, was wrecked on Pescadore Island Saturday last. Nearly all the deck officers and 60 men are missing.

Algiers, Dec. 26.—The British steamer Bellerophon has been in collision with and sunk the French steamer Emil Heloise at the entrance to the harbor. Thirty passengers on the Emil Heloise, including 25 natives, were drowned.

Steamer City of Kingston last evening took out about 70,000 pounds of halibut, which is to go east over the N. P. R.

The bark John C. Potter, Capt. Meyer, left Vancouver this morning, loaded with lumber from the Moodyville mills for Santa Rosalia.

—The sweet little "Nellie Bly" lamps are sure to sell quickly; they are pretty cheap and good. Weiler Bros.

A large boom of logs was brought down by the tug Hope to-day for the Sayward Mill Co.

A Port Townsend dispatch says: "Much uneasiness is felt here for the British steamer Danube, which left Victoria two weeks ago to search for the Strathnevis. During that period the weather has been intensely stormy." There is absolutely no truth in this. Capt. Irving went out prepared to remain until the end of the year. It is not at all likely that any misfortune has happened to the Danube.

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Per steamer Rosalie from the Sound—W McCormack, Mrs Watson, G T Wallace, A Frederickson, R Young, Miss Howard, Wm McNally, A McDonald, E Hewlings, W J Cusack, C Pardow, W B Stratton, Wm Hute, J J Splawn, M J McNeil,. W J Bertholder, W Andrews.

CONSIGNEES.

Per steamer Rosalie from the Sound—R P Rithet & Co, Hall & Goepel, A Knight, Spratt & Gray, Colonist.

PERSONAL.

W. J. Macaulay, wife and daughter, have left for Europe.

Max Geison and wife, Port Townsend, are guests at the Oriental.

Jas. Fagan, of the Victoria Fish Co., left for the Sound last evening.

Phillip Gable, the Nanaimo cigar manufacturer, is registered at the Oriental.

P. S. Lampman has gone to Wellington on business connected with the Law Society.

Lieut. Macdonald, second son of Senator Macdonald, has arrived in the city to spend the holidays with his parents.

Electoral District No. 1.

Members of the committee are requested to meet at the committee room, King's road, at 7:30 to-morrow (Friday) evening.

D. CARTMEL,
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26th December, 1895.

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